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Annual Report

of the

Municipal Officers

of the

TOWN OF

PORTER

MAINE

For the Fiscal Year Ending

FEBRUARY 10, 1951

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Chester V. Small, Printing, Cornish, Maine

TOWN OFFICERS

Town Clerk

JESSIE B. STACY

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

CLARENCE S. SAWYER PERLEY C. LIBBY
ANN L. MacDONALD

Treasurer

ALTON GOODWIN LOIS M. PEASE

Collector

ALBERT PEASE

Superintending School Committee

PAUL W. STACY THERESA FOX
CLAYTON LOCKE

Constable

KARL C. STACY

Road Commissioner

ARTHUR GILMAN

Superintendent of Schools

WALTER PULSIFER LEWIS E. WEBBER

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

OXFORD, SS.

STATE OF MAINE

*To Karl C. Stacy, a Constable in the Town of Porter, in
said County:*

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby requested to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said Town of Porter, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall in said town on the fifth day of March, A. D. 1951, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for high school purposes and for common school purposes for the ensuing year.

Budget committee recommendation, high school, \$2,500.00; common school, \$9,500.00. *121*

Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to introduce a commercial course in Porter High School. *yes*

Art. 5. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to support a commercial course in the Porter High School.

Budget committee recommendation, \$1,300.00. *131*

Art. 6. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for alterations and improvements at Porter High School.

Budget committee recommendation, \$1,000.00. *211*

Art. 7. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the Rinehart writing system. *301*

No recommendation.

Art. 8. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for high school textbooks and for common school textbooks for the ensuing year.

Budget committee recommendation, \$700.00.

Art. 9. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for high school laboratory and the high school library for the ensuing year.

Budget committee recommendation, laboratory, \$75.00; library, \$75.00.

Art. 10. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the repairs and insurance of schoolhouses.

Budget committee recommendation, \$1,000.00.

Art. 11. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for contingent expenses for the ensuing year.

Budget committee recommendation, \$500.00.

Art. 12. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for town officers' bills for the ensuing year.

Budget committee recommendation, \$1,200.00.

Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to accept roads as laid out by Board of Selectmen from Mt. View Avenue, so-called, by residence of Albert Pease, and from Winter Street, so-called, by residence of Whitman Day.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to build roads from Mt. View Avenue by Albert Pease residence and from Winter Street by Whitman Day residence.

Budget committee recommendation, \$600.00.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for repairs of streets in Kezar Falls Precinct for the ensuing year.

Budget committee recommendation, \$200.00.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to repair road leading from Route 25 to top of Grave Yard Hill, so-called.

Budget committee recommendation, use unimproved road money.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the repairs of highways and bridges outside Kezar Falls for the ensuing year.

Budget committee recommendation, \$1,500.00.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to be used on Colcord Pond Road.

No recommendation.

Art. 19. Too see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to be use don Colcord Pond Road.

No recommendation.

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for State aid road construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges) under the provisions of Sections 25 and 29, Chapter 20, R. S. 1944, as amended.

Budget committee recommendation, \$1,066.00.

Art. 21. To see what the town will vote to do in regard to snow removal for 1951 and following years.

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for snow removal for the years 1951-52.

Budget committee recommendation, \$3,500.00.

Art. 23. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for memorial purposes and how it shall be expended.

Budget committee recommendation, \$50.00.

Art. 24. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for public library in Kezar Falls.

Budget committee recommendation, \$25.00.

Art. 25. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to pay interest on temporary loans and outstanding orders.

Budget committee recommendation, \$500.00.

Art. 26. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for street light services for the ensuing year.

Budget committee recommendation, \$490.00.

Art. 27. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the benefit of the Kezar Falls Fire Department.

Budget committee recommendation, \$150.00.

Art. 28. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for aid to dependent children.

Budget committee recommendation, \$1,000.00.

Art. 29. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for civil defense.

Budget committee recommendation, \$200.00.

Art. 30. To see whether or not the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80, Section 95, of the Revised Statutes of Maine.

Budget committee recommendation, \$25.00.

Art. 31. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to co-operate with the Maine Forest Service and the Federal Government in control of white pine blister rust, in accordance with Revised Statutes, Chapter 32, Section 54.

No recommendation.

Art. 32. To see if the town will raise and appropriate \$100.00 for public health nursing in the Town of Porter, said sum to be expended by State Bureau of Health for local service.

Budget committee recommendation, \$100.00.

Art. 33. To see if the town will grant and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 to pay note held by Kezar Falls National Bank authorized at last annual meeting to pay accounts payable.

Budget committee recommendation, \$2,500.00.

Art. 34. To see if the town will vote to sell the Porter Village Schoolhouse.

Art. 35. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to repair road leading from the end of black road through the Lord Neighborhood, so-called.

Art. 36. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen and town treasurer to hire such money as is needed in anticipation of 1951 taxes.

Art. 37. To see if the town will vote to pay a discount of 2% on all taxes paid on or before June 10, and a discount of 1% on all taxes paid on or before July 10.

Art. 38. To choose a selectman for term of three years, assessors and overseers of the poor, and all other necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 39. To see if the town will grant and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to pay school physician for the ensuing year.

Art. 40. To see if the town will vote to elect a budget committee.

Art. 41. To act on any further business that may legally come before said meeting.

The selectmen hereby give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters at the Town Hall at nine o'clock in the forenoon on the day of said meeting.

Given under our hand at Porter this 10th day of February, A. D. 1951.

C. S. SAWYER,

PERLEY C. LIBBY,

ANN L. MacDONALD,

Selectmen of Porter.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF POOR

Number of polls taxed, 261 at \$3.00.

Number of polls not taxed, 31.

Rate of taxation, \$116.00 per thousand.

Real estate, resident, value, \$217,315.00

Real estate, non-resident, value, 55,745.00

Total,	\$273,060.00
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Personal estate, resident, value, \$23,150.00

Personal estate, non-resident, value,	9,530.00
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Total,	32,680.00
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Grand total,	\$305,740.00
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TAXABLE LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

	No.	Av. Value	Total Value
Horses, mules and ponies, over 4 years old,	27	\$31.00	\$ 855.00
Steers, oxen, bulls, over 18 months,	9	41.00	370.00
Milk cows, including heifers that have freshened,	95	38.00	3,645.00
Heifers, over 2 years old,	22	26.00	570.00
Heifers, 18 months to 2 years old,	11	22.00	245.00
Domestic fowl, over 50 in number,	3,809	.50	1,545.00
Total,			\$7,230.00

OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY

Stock in trade,	\$9,300.00
Portable mills, including gas engines, 4,	900.00
Logs, 50 M,	500.00
Lumber, 77 M,	770.00
Gas pumps and attachments, 24,	2,465.00
Musical instruments, 62,	3,100.00
Radios, 204,	1,625.00
Tractors, 2,	100.00
Machinery and equipment,	340.00
Water company,	2,850.00
Light and power company,	3,500.00
Other property,	6,350.00
Taxable livestock and poultry,	7,230.00
	<hr/> \$39,030.00

TAX COLLECTOR

Commitment,	\$36,248.84
Supplemental,	578.90
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Total charged to collector,	\$36,827.74
Credits to collector:	
Cash to treasurer,	\$35,610.22
Liens,	767.59
Discounts,	282.85
Abatements,	94.76
Uncollected,	72.32
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Total credits,	\$36,827.74

TAX LIEN, 1950

Chester and Everett Blake,	\$ 13.05
Dana Caswell,	46.40
Spencer Mann,	6.96
*James Walsh, heirs,	31.32
Harry Waddell,	90.48
Charles Drowns,	19.72
Arnold Chase,	39.98

Kenneth Drowns,	3.48
Elmer Eastman,	27.84
Clifford Eastman,	20.30
Clayton Eastman,	41.76
Eldon Fields,	52.20
Lucian Roberts,	30.16
Dana Weeks, heirs,	25.52
Elsie Metcalf,	41.76
Amos Lawler,	1.74
Randall Stanley, heirs,	3.48
*Ethel Small, heirs,	271.44

Total, \$767.59

* Those marked with star paid after books closed.

ABATEMENT, 1950

Clifford Wadsworth,	\$23.20
Herman Stacy,	16.82
Roy Lord,	.58
Howard Gilpatrick,	5.80
Henry Finnemore,	5.80
Margaret Wiggin,	6.96
Sidney Welch,	11.60
Bruce Emmons,	3.00
Walter Ridlon,	3.00
Christian Johnson,	3.00
Harold L. Mason,	3.00
George Mills, deceased,	3.00
Curtis Chick,	3.00
Frank Lewis,	3.00
Joseph Locklin,	3.00

\$94.76

UNCOLLECTED, 1950

Total uncollected for 1950,	\$839.91
Transferred to lien,	767.59

Balance uncollected,	\$72.32
Charles Drowns,	\$ 3.00
* Roland Day,	3.00

Elmer Eastman,	21.56
Vaughn Good,	3.00
*Robert MacDonald,	24.36
John C. Taylor,	17.40

Total,	\$72.32
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* Those marked with star paid after books closed.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1950

High school,	\$ 6,800.00
Common school,	10,500.00
High and common school textbooks,	700.00
High school library,	75.00
High school laboratory,	75.00
Repairs and insurance on school-	
houses,	1,100.00
Contingent expenses,	500.00
Town officers' bills,	1,200.00
Repairs of streets in Kezar Falls,	400.00
Tar roads in Kezar Falls Precinct,	400.00
Highways and bridges outside	
Kezar Falls,	1,500.00
State aid road,	1,066.00
Snow removal,	3,500.00
Memorial purposes,	50.00
Public library,	25.00
Interest on temporary loans,	450.00
Street lights,	490.00
Fire department,	200.00
Aid to dependent children,	1,000.00
Health nurse,	64.00
Payment on school bus,	959.00
State tax,	2,866.24
County tax,	1,366.70
Overlay,	960.10
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	\$36,247.04
Supplemental,	578.90
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	\$36,825.94

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Appropriation,		\$1,200.00
Walter Pulsifer, superintendent,	\$ 131.10	
Lewis Webber, superintendent,	97.20	
Clarence S. Sawyer,	200.00	
Perley C. Libby,	100.00	
Ann L. MacDonald,	100.00	
Alton Goodwin, treasurer,	60.00	
Lois M. Pease, treasurer,	65.00	
Mabel Black, ballot clerk,	12.00	
Lydia Greenan, ballot clerk,	12.00	
Bernice Goodwin, ballot clerk,	12.00	
Helen Merrifield, ballot clerk,	6.00	
Harriett Sawyer, ballot clerk,	6.00	
Jessie B. Stacy, town clerk,	25.00	
Albert Pease, tax collector,	284.88	
Everett Outhouse, auditor,	156.94	
Overexpended,		68.12
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	\$1,268.12	\$1,268.12

CONTINGENT EXPENSES

Appropriation,		\$500.00
Interest on town bonds,		62.50
Bank stock tax,		243.21
Dog licenses refund,		18.52
Helen Merrifield, health clinic,		2.00
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Total,		\$826.23
Preston J. Stanley, telephone,	\$ 1.10	
Ridlon Brothers,	7.50	
Chester Small, town reports,	198.50	
Marks Printing House, supplies,	41.30	
Loring, Short & Harmon, supplies,	22.75	
U. S. Auto Truck Guide,	6.00	
S. R. Batchelder, deeds,	9.00	
S. R. Batchelder, officers' bonds,	37.00	
Karl C. Stacy, excise tax and war-		
rants,	72.45	

H. H. Hay & Sons, health clinic,	51.95	
Stanley Burying Grounds,	1.00	
Clarence S. Sawyer, planting trees,	9.00	
Oxford Box Corp.,	1.39	
C. E. Cahill, printing signs,	18.00	
Discount Martin, office supplies,	4.32	
Percy Peer, constable,	10.00	
Bernice Goodwin, postage,	5.00	
Jessie Stacy, recording and post- age,	24.75	
Albert Pease, supplies,	24.65	
Lois M. Pease, postage,	6.08	
Norton Hardware,	.75	
Albert Pease, liens and cost,	63.95	
Clarence Stetson, labor, pauper yard,	4.50	
Percy Peer, police,	292.70	
Overexpended,		87.41
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Total,	\$913.64	\$913.64

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Appropriation,	\$64.00
State Department of Health, paid,	\$64.00

KEZAR FALLS FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation,	\$200.00	
Refund for overpayment,	50.00	
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Total,		\$250.00
Town of Cornish, Waddell fire,	\$ 25.00	
Kezar Falls fires, 1949 and 1950,	141.75	
Kezar Falls Fire Department,	200.00	
Overexpended,		116.75
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Total,	\$366.75	\$366.75

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation,	\$490.00
Cornish & Kezar Falls Light & Power Co., 1950-51 service,	\$490.00

WINTER ROADS

Appropriation,		\$3,500.00
Received from State,		1,019.55
Total,		<hr/> \$4,519.55
Payroll,	\$ 364.80	
Sand pile,	168.00	
Lawrence Taylor, plowing,	3,200.00	
Treasurer of State, 1949 and 1950 plowing,	457.60	
Carroll Wadsworth, plowing,	50.00	
W. H. Shurtleff, salt,	168.70	
Rupert Norton, plowing,	7.50	
Florence Fox, sand,	19.80	
State Highway Commission, plow- ing,	228.80	
Overexpended,		145.74
Total,		<hr/> \$4,665.29 \$4,665.29

STATE AID ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Appropriation,		\$1,066.00
Received from State,		2,132.00
Demand note,		3,198.00
Total,		<hr/> \$6,396.00
Payroll,	\$5,781.48	
New England Metal Culvert Co.,	322.18	
Norton Hardware Co.,	35.54	
Clarence Sawyer, gravel,	773.90	
Overdraft,		517.10
Total,		<hr/> \$6,913.10 \$6,913.10

UNIMPROVED ROADS

Received from State,		\$1,572.46
Payroll,	\$1,572.46	
Clarence Sawyer, gravel,	175.40	
New England Metal Culvert Co.,	19.20	
Overexpended,		194.60
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Total,	\$1,767.06	\$1,767.06

**HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES OUTSIDE OF
KEZAR FALLS PRECINCT**

Appropriations,		\$1,500.00
Manuel Stacy, refund,		43.26
Norton Hardware, refund on supplies,		5.47
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Total,		\$1,548.73

Payroll,	\$2,288.02	
Southworth Machine Co.,	9.56	
Meserve's Express,	.65	
Oxford Land & Lumber Co.,	31.40	
Norton Hardware Co.,	26.50	
J. K. Johansen,	1.50	
New England Metal Culvert Co.,	27.44	
Gerald Weeks, gravel,	10.00	
Charles MacDonald, gravel,	3.60	
Clarence S. Sawyer, gravel,	10.00	
Sidney Libby, gravel,	1.20	
Overexpended,		861.14
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Total,	\$2,409.87	\$2,409.87

STREETS IN KEZAR FALLS PRECINCT

Appropriation, repairs,	\$ 400.00
Appropriation, tar,	400.00
Received from Kezar Falls Village Corporation,	360.69
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Total,	\$1,160.69

Payroll,	\$ 820.97	
Clarence Sawyer, gravel,	68.00	
Blue Rock Quarry, tar,	141.43	
Unexpended,	130.29	
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Total,	\$1,160.69	\$1,160.69

RESIDENT RELIEF

Wendell Tripp, refund,	\$ 78.00	
Randall Libby fund,	10.00	
Excise tax,	3,196.21	
Received from Evans Perry,	150.00	
Appropriation for aid to dependent children,	1,000.00	
Unexpended balance for 1950, account payable note,	520.82	
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Total,		\$4,955.03
Clayton Eastman,	\$ 457.14	
Roland Day,	44.80	
Veteran No. 1;	49.50	
Osgood Pendexter,	666.32	
Alton Libby,	68.78	
Clifford Eastman,	136.22	
Jennie Chellis,	1,240.00	
William Day,	14.22	
Warren Tarr,	17.89	
George Day,	42.50	
Mrs. Robert Day,	241.78	
Sylvia Smith,	39.00	
Maurice Ridlon,	694.92	
John Jordan,	30.64	
Tramps,	9.41	
Floyd Day,	170.06	
Aid to dependent children,	1,162.94	
Overexpended,		131.19
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Total,	\$5,086.12	\$5,086.12

UNSETTLED RELIEF

Mrs. Mabel Pratt,	\$174.75	
Relief bills contracted and not paid prior to 1950, included in the above totals,		\$1,315.24

STATE RELIEF

Received from State,		\$2,523.00
Ivan Smith,	\$ 110.00	
Herbert Frost,	304.20	
Crosby Littlefield,	1,720.82	
Glen Jones,	30.07	
Arthur Lowe,	157.35	
William Cilley,	125.00	
Peter McManus,	69.00	
John Burns,	140.00	
Due from State,		133.44
Total,	\$2,656.44	\$2,656.44

NON-RESIDENT RELIEF

Received from Town of Brownfield,	\$ 18.67	
Received from Town of Sweden,	502.68	
Received from Town of Parsons- field,	81.50	
Received from sale of horse, hens, etc., William Davis,	35.49	
Total,		\$638.34
Richard Berry,	\$585.44	
Alfred Johnson,	18.67	
William Davis,	116.99	
Due from Sweden,		82.76
Total,	\$721.10	\$721.10

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Appropriation,	\$25.00	
Received from State,	10.00	
Total,		\$35.00

Paid Kezar Falls Library Assn.,	\$27.50	
Paid Kezar Falls Village Corp.,	7.50	
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Total,	\$35.00	\$35.00

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation,		\$50.00
Paid West-Day Post,	\$50.00	

TEMPORARY LOANS

Kezar Falls National Bank,		\$16,000.00
Paid Kezar Falls National Bank,	\$16,000.00	

DEMAND NOTES

School bus note,		\$4,150.00
Accounts payable note,		2,500.00
State aid road note,		3,198.00
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Total,		\$9,848.00

**INTEREST ON TEMPORARY LOANS
AND DEMAND NOTES**

Appropriation,		\$450.00
Interest paid,	\$517.70	
Overexpended,		67.70
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Total,	\$517.70	\$517.70

STATE TAX

Paid State Treasurer,	\$2,866.24
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COUNTY TAX

Paid County Treasurer,	\$1,366.70
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BILLS PAID FROM 1950 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Demand note,		\$2,500.00
Preston J. Stanley,	\$ 200.00	
Kezar Falls Fire Department,	319.00	

Cornish & Kezar Falls Light & Power Co.,	977.50	
Kezar Falls Woolen Co.,	33.56	
Oxford Land & Lumber Co.,	90.00	
Resident relief,	359.12	
Balance transferred to relief ac- count,	520.82	
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Total,	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00

EXCISE TAXES

Collected,		\$3,606.90
Paid Kezar Falls Village Corp.,	\$ 360.69	
Albert Pease, collector,	50.00	
Transferred to resident relief,	3,196.21	
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Total,	\$3,606.90	\$3,606.90

AUDITOR'S REPORT

February 16, 1951.

Board of Selectmen,
Town of Porter,
Porter, Maine

GENTLEMEN :

In accordance with your request, we have audited the records of the Town of Porter, for the municipal year ended February 10, 1951.

This examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and included all procedures which we considered necessary. Insofar as could be determined, within the scope of the examination, the financial affairs of the town appear to have been administered in a proper manner.

The results of the audit are disclosed in the exhibits and schedules embodied in this report, and fairly present the financial position of the Town of Porter, and the results of its operations for the municipal year ended February 10, 1951.

Respectfully submitted,

L. EVERETT OUTHOUSE.

BALANCE SHEETS COMPARED

Years Ending February 10

ASSETS

	1950	1951
Cash,	\$ 32.33	\$3,959.70
Tax liens,	2,774.99	2,823.21
Tax deeds,	158.53	158.53
Taxes uncollected,	303.28	334.50
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Total assets,	\$3,269.13	\$7,275.94

LIABILITIES

Accounts payable,	\$1,897.18	\$ 360.20
Notes payable,	4,315.50	12,245.50
Reserve:		
For tax liens,	176.39	176.39
For tax deeds,	116.31	116.31
Appropriation balance for-		
warded,	1,319.10	5,121.35
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Total liabilities,	\$7,806.48	\$18,019.75
Net town debt,	4,537.35	10,743.81
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Total liabilities and
town debt, \$3,269.13 \$7,275.94

ANALYSIS OF TOWN DEBT
Year Ending February 10, 1951

Net deficit, balance February 10,
1950, \$ 4,537.35

Charges to debts:

Discounts and abatements of taxes,	377.61
School bus note,	4,150.00
State aid construction note,	3,198.00
Money borrowed for payment of back bills,	2,500.00

Total, \$14,762.96

Credit to debt:

Supplemental taxes,	\$ 578.90
Payment on account school bus note,	1,918.00
Appropriation balance unex- pended,	1,520.45
Gain in fractions on commit- ment,	1.80
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Total credit,	4,019.15
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Net deficit, February
10, 1951, \$10,743.81

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand February 10, 1950, \$ 32.33

RECEIPTS

Taxes, 1950,	\$35,610.22	
Taxes, 1949,	24.00	
Taxes, 1948,	17.10	
Tax liens,	719.37	
Excise tax,	4,635.20	
		41,005.89

Received from State :

Education :

High school tuition,	\$ 1.23	
Teaching positions,	706.83	
Professional credits,	50.00	
School enrollment,	26.37	
Closed schools,	135.72	
Equalization fund,	828.00	
State school fund,	8,963.02	
	\$10,711.17	
Health and welfare,	2,875.63	
Snow removal,	790.75	
Bank stock tax,	243.21	
Dog license refund,	18.52	
Library stipend,	10.00	
State aid road,	2,132.00	
Refund check, acct. winter roads,	228.80	
Town road improvements,	1,572.46	
		18,582.54

Tuition :

Town of Hiram,	\$2,155.55	
Town of Parsonsfield,	1,554.36	
Effingham School District,	80.00	
		3,789.91

Porter High School A. A.,	96.35
Josephine Pulsifer, overpayment,	
Blue Cross,	2.60
Holcomb Mfg. Co., refund,	40.75
Clarence Parot, rent of Porter	
School,	48.00
Evans Perry, refund,	150.00
Willie Davis,	30.00
Town of Brownfield,	18.67
Town of Sweden,	502.68
Temporary loans,	16,000.00
School bus purchase loan,	4,150.00
Porter-Kezar Falls Village Corp.,	
roads,	360.69
Kezar Falls Fire Dept., refund,	50.00
State aid road loan,	3,198.00
Sale of town property,	247.40

Interest received :

U. S. Govt., acct. Ministerial	
School Fund,	\$ 42.50
U. S. Govt., acct. Randall	
Libby Fund,	20.00
U. S. Govt., acct. town hall	
account,	62.50
Trustees Geo. W. Towle Fund,	925.00
Trustees Elijah Fox Fund,	
Porter,	399.75
Trustees Elijah Fox Fund,	
Parsonsfield,	360.20
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	1,809.95
Helen Merrifield, acct. health clinic,	2.00
Manuel Stacy, refund, acct. town	
roads,	43.26
Norton Hardware Co., acct. re-	
fund on supplies,	5.47
Town of Parsonsfield, acct. relief,	81.50

Loan, Kezar Falls National Bank,	2,500.00
W. B. Tripp, refund,	78.00
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Total receipts,	\$92,825.99
Paid out according to selectmen's warrants,	88,866.29
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Cash balance as of February 10, 1951,	\$3,959.70

**PARSONSFIELD ELIJAH FOX TRUST FUND
1950**

Capital Account

On hand February 12, 1951 :

Maine Central Railroad,	\$1,000.00
Penn. Power & Light Co.,	2,000.00
Southern Pacific Co.,	1,000.00
Central Maine Power Co.,	2,000.00
Green Mountain Power Co.,	4,000.00
Balance in Kezar Falls National Bank,	255.60
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	\$10,255.60

PARSONSFIELD ELIJAH FOX TRUST FUND

Interest and Dividend Account

Received interest :

Maine Central Railroad,	\$ 40.00
Penn. Power & Light Co.,	60.00
Southern Pacific Co.,	45.00
Green Mountain Power Co.,	150.00

Received dividend, Central Maine Power Co.,	70.00
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	\$365.00

Paid to Kezar Falls National Bank, box rent,	\$ 4.80
Paid to Lois Pease, treasurer, Town of Porter,	360.20
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	\$365.00

SIDNEY R. BATCHELDER,
Trustee of Trust Funds.

PORTER ELIJAH FOX TRUST FUND**Capital Assets**

On hand February 12, 1951 :

Jacksonville Gas Corp.,	\$1,000.00	
U. S. Treasury bond,	500.00	
Southern Pacific Co.,	2,000.00	
Maine Central Railroad,	2,000.00	
Green Mountain Power Co.,	2,000.00	
Buffalo-Niagara Electric Corporation,	2,000.00	
18 shares Central Maine Power Co., 3½% Pref.,	1,557.00	
Balance in Kezar Falls National Bank,	316.27	
	<hr/>	\$11,373.27

PORTER ELIJAH FOX TRUST FUND**1950****Interest Account**

Received interest:

Southern Pacific Co.,	\$90.00	
Buffalo-Niagara Electric Corporation,	55.00	
Jacksonville Gas Corporation,	40.00	
Green Mountain Power Co.,	75.00	
Maine Central Railroad,	80.00	
U. S. Treasury bond,	12.50	
Received dividend, Central Maine Power Co.,	47.25	
	<hr/>	\$399.75
Paid to Lois Pease, treasurer, Town of Porter,		\$399.75

SIDNEY R. BATCHELDER,*Trustee of Trust Funds.*

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE
GEORGE W. TOWLE SCHOOL FUND**

February 1, 1951

Interest Account

Received interest on United States Savings Bonds, Series G,	\$925.00
· Paid to the treasurer of the Town of Porter,	\$925.00

Principal Account—Trust Funds

\$37,000.00 United States Savings Bonds, Series G,
2½%, due July 1, 1958.

FRANK P. GOODWIN,
PAUL W. STACY,
J. MALCOLM STANLEY.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

*To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens
of the Town of Porter:*

My first annual report as your superintendent of schools is submitted herewith.

This report will consist of observations relative to faculty, enrollment, maintenance and operation, curriculum, budget data for the ensuing year, and the financial statement for the past year.

FACULTY AND ENROLLMENT

There is considerable evidence that your teachers are genuinely interested in the welfare and progress of your children. They are alert to the necessity of varying their programs in order to meet the individual as well as the group needs of the pupils. That is important because it means that help is given where help is needed, insofar as it is possible to do so. Such a philosophy requires a more careful preparation and presentation of materials than would otherwise be necessary. Apparently your teachers are willing to put forth this extra effort, and they are to be commended for it.

The one change in teachers this year was on the high school level. Mr. Theodore Finnegan replaced Herbert Wilbur as teacher of social studies and coach of boys' athletics. Mr. Finnegan, a veteran of World War II, received the Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of New Hampshire in 1948, with a major in business administration. Later, he did graduate study at the same university, majoring in education and history.

Mrs. Ruth Merrifield, Mrs. Irene Welch, and Mrs. Verna Wentworth secured additional professional training in 1950 by attending the summer session at Gorham State Teachers' College. This is but one of the many ways in which teachers try to improve themselves professionally.

A series of charts has been prepared to show the picture of the school population.

PORTER ELEMENTARY PUPILS

School	S. P.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Totals	Teacher
Primary,	21									21	Evelyn Stacy
		25								25	Irene Welch
			25							25	Verna Wentworth
				22						22	Ruth Merrifield
Milliken,					16					16	Evelyn Day
						18				18	Edith Cartland
							27			27	Bertha Moody
								22		22	Alice Williams
Junior High,									15	15	Ernest Leighton
Totals,	21	25	25	22	16	18	27	22	15	191	

Music: Flora Carpenter

KEZAR FALLS ENROLLMENTS

	S. P.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Totals
Porter,	21	25	25	22	16	18	27	22	15	191
Parsonsfield,	8	9	9	8	6	8	5	6	7	66
Totals										
1950-51,	29	34	34	30	22	26	32	28	22	257
Totals										
1949-50,	36	34	34	25	27	30	31	23	28	268

PORTER HIGH SCHOOL ENROLLMENTS
(By Grades)

	9	10	11	12	Totals
1950-51,	29	23	11	10	73
1949-50,	23	13	12	20	68

(By Towns)

Sending Town	1949-50	1950-51
Effingham, N. H.,	0	2
Freedom, N. H.,	3	1
Hiram,	13	14
Parsonsfield,	15	17
Porter,	37	39
Totals,	68	73

Harold Andrews: Principal, Science, Mathematics, Coach of Girls' Athletics.

Mabel McDade: English and Foreign Languages.

Theodore Finnegan: Social Studies, Science, Coach of Boys' Athletics.

MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION

In general, the schools are fairly well supplied with textbooks and other materials. The normal replacement of used books is to be expected as well as purchases of some supplies to guard against reducing the quantity on hand to dangerously low levels in the face of present-day scarcities—actual and threatened.

There is a need for the purchase of supplementary reading materials with special emphasis on library books. Some authorities claim that by the time the average child has completed the second grade, he should have read at least two hundred books. It is not proposed to defend or refute that statement at this time. However, an important part of the reading program is the development of an interest in reading for pleasure as well as for knowledge. It therefore becomes the school's obligation to provide an opportunity for children to read "on their own," thus utilizing the skills learned in the basic program. This means books—lots of books—with interesting stories for all ability levels.

As for repairs, it is obvious that the town has been active in bringing about improvements in the two school buildings. The renovating efforts should be continued. In addition to incidental repairs, it is proposed to paint the primary building on the outside, construct more shelf space in classrooms, and buy new seating units to replace ones in very poor condition. Over and above these things, your attention is called to a special article in the town warrant pertaining to alterations and improvements at Porter High School. The recommendations are itemized and include estimated expenditures.

CURRICULUM

As you know, the Alumni Association is sponsoring a drive for the addition of a commercial curriculum to those now being offered at the high school. The association is guaranteeing the funds necessary to equip a room with the necessary materials and supplies. If the town will take over from there, an occupation course will become a reality—a desirable step forward.

Your attention is directed to an article in the town warrant recommending an appropriation of \$1,300.00 to begin the commercial program. It is estimated that the net cost to the town thereafter will not exceed \$1,400.00 annually.

BUDGET FOR 1951-52

Unexpended balances in the school accounts total approximately \$4,000.00. This surplus developed primarily from three sources: the revenue from State funds was larger than anticipated; the high school tuition fee was increased from \$125.00 to \$165.00; and Parsonsfield is paying tuition this year under an arrangement by which that town receives its shares of the Fox and Towle funds.

As a result of these balances, it is possible to reduce this year's total appropriation request by \$4,570.00, as compared with last year, and still maintain the same program.

The appropriation requests for the regular budget are as follows:

High school,	\$ 2,500.00
Elementary school,	9,500.00
Books and supplies,	700.00
High school library,	75.00
High school laboratory,	75.00
Repairs and insurance,	1,000.00
School bus payments,	1,789.00
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Total,	\$15,639.00

Appropriations recommended in special articles are as follows:

Commercial course,	\$1,300.00
High school alterations and im-	
provements,	1,000.00
Rinehart writing system,	300.00
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	\$2,600.00

Following this report you will find the financial statement for the past year, and also the report of the high school principal, Mr. Andrews.

In closing, in behalf of your teachers and myself, I wish to express appreciation for the many gestures of friendliness and co-operation on your part. Children are our joint responsibility. By pulling together we can do the most for them.

Respectfully,

LEWIS E. WEBBER,

Superintendent.

PORTER FINANCIAL REPORT SCHOOL DEPARTMENT, 1950-51

HIGH SCHOOL

Resources

Unexpended last year,	\$ 133.62
Appropriation,	6,800.00
1950 State school fund,	456.02
1949 State school fund, refund,	870.15
Town of Hiram, tuition,	2,155.55
Town of Parsonsfield, tuition,	1,554.36
Town of Effingham, tuition,	80.00
George W. Towle fund,	706.36
Porter Elijah Fox fund,	399.75
High School A. A.,	37.85
	—————\$13,193.66

Expenditures

Instruction,	\$7,917.05
Fuel,	1,465.03
Janitor, cleaning, and supplies,	683.09
Utilities,	237.81
Tuition, Fryeburg Academy,	359.97
	—————\$10,662.95
Unexpended this year,	2,530.71
	—————\$13,193.66

Contingent

Back pay due teachers,	\$879.00	
T. R. F.,	58.67	
Tax,	50.40	
	<hr/>	\$988.07
Unexpended this year,	\$2,530.71	
Accounts payable,	988.07	
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Net balance,		\$1,542.64

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS**Resources**

Unexpended last year,	\$ 1,117.04	
Appropriation,	10,500.00	
1950 State school fund,	7,827.00	
State equalization fund,	828.00	
Ministerial school fund,	42.50	
Porter H. S. A. A., bus,	58.50	
Josephine Pulsifer, refund,	2.60	
	<hr/>	\$20,375.64

Expenditures

Instruction,	\$11,808.41	
Fuel,	498.35	
Janitor, cleaning, and supplies,	634.67	
Conveyance,	4,478.46	
Utilities,	151.83	
	<hr/>	\$17,571.72
School bus payment,	959.00	
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		\$18,530.72
Unexpended this year,	1,844.92	
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		\$20,375.64

Contingent

Back pay due teacher,	\$201.00	
Retirement funds payable,	98.80	
Income tax payable,	151.30	
	<hr/>	\$451.10

Unexpended this year,	\$1,844.92	
Accounts payable,	451.10	
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Net balance,		\$1,393.82

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES**Resources**

Unexpended last year,	\$ 14.05	
Appropriation,	700.00	
1950 State school fund,	650.00	
1949 State school fund,	50.00	
Holcomb Co., refund,	40.75	
	<hr/>	\$1,454.80

Expenditures

Total paid,	\$1,391.11	
Unexpended this year,	63.69	
	<hr/>	\$1,454.80

REPAIRS AND INSURANCE**Resources**

Appropriation,	\$1,100.00	
Clarence Parot, rent,	48.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,148.00
Less 1949 overdraft,		146.35
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		\$1,001.65

Expenditures

Total paid,	\$797.10	
Unexpended this year,	204.55	
	<hr/>	\$1,001.65

HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY**Resources**

Unexpended last year,	\$ 8.26	
Appropriation,	75.00	
1950 State subsidy,	30.00	
	<hr/>	\$113.26

Expenditures

Total paid,	\$90.50	
Unexpended this year,	22.76	
	<hr/>	\$113.26

HIGH SCHOOL LABORATORY**Resources**

Unexpended last year,	\$242.48	
Appropriation,	75.00	
	<hr/>	\$317.48

Expenditures

Total paid,	\$117.65	
Unexpended this year,	199.83	
	<hr/>	\$317.48

SCHOOL BUS ACCOUNT

Special appropriation for overdue payment,	\$957.00	
Paid on note,	957.00	
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Balance on hand,		None

REPORT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

To the Officers and Citizens of the Town of Porter:

I present herewith my third annual report as principal of your high school.

Seventy-six pupils enrolled at Porter High School this year, of which 73 are now attending and are distributed by classes as follows:

	Boys	Girls	Totals
Senior,	2	8	10
Junior,	6	5	11
Sophomore,	11	12	23
Freshman,	15	14	29
	<hr/> 34	<hr/> 39	<hr/> 73

A tabulation by towns shows that 39 pupils are from the Town of Porter, 17 from Parsonsfield, 14 from Hiram, 2 from Effingham, N. H., and 1 from Freedom, N. H. Of this number, 36 reside in the village corporation of Kezar Falls.

The school is well equipped with modern textbooks in good condition, chemistry and physics apparatus, and up-to-date encyclopedias and other reference works. A new set of history maps purchased this year corrected a long existing deficiency in this department. A considerable addition was also made to the physics apparatus. Mr. Carpenter has constructed bulletin boards in the library, English room and eighth grade room which have long been needed for display purposes. The school has a mimeograph, typewriter, motion picture machine, steel filing and storage cabinets, telephone, modern sanitary toilet facilities, new library furniture, two pianos, compound microscope, gas burners for the laboratory and abundant electric outlets all over the building. The efforts of the superintendent, the school

committee, the various clubs and the interest of the taxpayers in their schools has resulted in a very well equipped building for a community of this size. The principal need at present is new seats. Of the approximately 125 seating units in the building, only 42 are modern. The remainder are in deplorable condition and unfit to sit in or write on, despite the frequent efforts of Mr. Carpenter to keep them in repair. Some long range plans should be made to replace these units during the next few years.

Another thing which is lacking and which should not be too costly is storage shelves or cabinets for the laboratory. Much expensive equipment is lying around loose because there is no place to keep it.

The only change in the curriculum this year has been the substitution of a course in consumer science for the two upper classes in place of the psychology course formerly offered. Most of the courses except English and mathematics rotate on a two-year basis, making a fairly wide choice of subjects for a three-teacher school. If the proposed commercial course becomes a reality next year I believe it will be a valuable addition to what we have to offer.

The usual extra-curricular activities of band, glee club, basketball, baseball, Senior play, prize speaking, school annual and social events have been carried on as usual. The basketball teams have been particularly successful and have attained considerable reputation throughout this part of the State. I am pleased to report an excellent spirit of sportsmanship on the part of the players this year and a very definite effort to keep their scholastic standing satisfactory.

The glee club has done its usual excellent work under the leadership of Mrs. Flora Carpenter and the band, which consists of 22 members, is making good progress. Mr. Charles Zumstein from North Conway has been employed as bandmaster and teacher. Slightly more than half of his remuneration comes from individual

pupils who pay for their own lessons and the rest has to be raised by the Band Mothers' Club or paid for from the money earned by the band. The Band Mothers' Club, organized last year, has been a very important factor in keeping this activity going. They are constantly engaging in projects for earning money to pay the bandmaster and to buy uniforms and their influence is definitely noticeable in keeping up the interest of the pupils in the band. It would be very desirable if some appropriation could be made at town meeting to assist in this worthwhile school activity.

Twenty Seniors were graduated last June, of which number 7 are attending various institutions for further training and 4 are members of the armed services.

The school has received, as usual, a certificate from the State Department of Education to the effect that Porter High School is entitled to class A rating.

We were glad to welcome to the faculty this year Mr. Theodore Finnegan as athletic coach and teacher of history and science. Mr. Finnegan, a graduate of New Hampshire State University and a veteran of the United States Air Force in the late war, is a young man of pleasing personality and is very capable in the performance of his school duties. He is meeting with excellent success with his teams and in the class room.

All members of the athletic teams were examined very carefully this year by Dr. Marston or Dr. Patterson with the assistance of the State nurses and a report on their condition submitted to the parents. Insurance covering injuries in either practice or games was provided through town funds. To date, three cases of injuries have been submitted to the Athletes' Accident Benefit Fund and compensation has been paid.

I have never known in my experience a community where the parents and citizens have done so much to promote and assist the activities of the school. These acts of generosity are so many and varied that in enumerating them some may be overlooked. I should

like to mention, however, the prizes offered by the Kiwanis Club, the L. M. and R. Club, the 21 Club, the Keswick Club and the Alumni Association at graduation and for prize speaking; the gift of magazines from the 21 and L. M. and R. Clubs; the girls' basketball uniforms purchased by the 21 Club; the check donated by Mr. Will Garner for the purchase of library equipment; the annual banquet provided by the Kiwanis Club for the basketball teams; the activity of the Band Mothers' Club in supporting the school band; the gymnasium provided by Mr. Garner for the use of the basketball teams; the assistance of the parents of the pupils in money raising projects such as suppers and food sales; the services of Don Lord, Chester Cutting and Rinardo Giovanella as umpires at baseball games, and the money contributed by business men, clubs and individuals for advertising in the school annual.

In closing, I wish to express in behalf of the teachers and pupils our appreciation of these many contributions and to thank the parents, citizens and school officials for their co-operation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD P. ANDREWS,

Principal.

January 31, 1951.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE, 1950

It has been most pleasing to note the progress made in your town this past year under the guidance of your local Health Council.

The Health Council has held monthly meetings during the year, as well as committee meetings when necessary.

Three Child Health Conferences were held with a total attendance of forty-six infant and pre-school children. Dr. Paul Marston was the examining physician, assisted by the public health nurse and a very able committee from the Health Council. Protection against smallpox, diphtheria, whooping cough, and tetanus was offered.

In June the immunization program carried on in the schools was completed. Forty children were vaccinated against smallpox, and thirty-four received protection from diphtheria, thirty-four from whooping cough, and forty-seven from tetanus.

The aim of the Health Council in working toward physical examinations for children in selected grades at school was realized this year. Your town appropriated funds for a school physician and in October and November parents of all children in the third and eighth grades, as well as those participating in sports, were sent letters informing them of the available examinations. Eighty children were examined by Dr. Paul Marston, your school physician, assisted by the Public Health Nurse and an interested committee from the community. Those children in the selected group not seen at school were examined by a private physician.

Home visits are being made to children found at school to have a health problem. In addition, visits are made to expectant and new mothers to assist them in

establishing a good daily routine. The Public Health Nurse visits homes where there has been tuberculosis and acute communicable diseases to assist the patient to receive adequate medical care and to help protect his family and the community from its spread. Visits are made to children with orthopedic or heart defects in order to acquaint the family with the resources available and assist in interpreting the medical recommendations to the parents.

Your Health Council feels that group instruction has special health education value and because a larger number of persons can be reached in this way, we are planning toward open meetings in the coming year.

I take this opportunity to extend to the town officials, the physician, the school board, and the Health Council my sincere appreciation for their interest and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

ELEANOR E. GRIFFITHS, R. N.,

Public Health Nurse.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

To the Citizens of the Town of Porter:

I submit the following report showing the number of births, marriages, deaths and depositions of birth recorded in the year 1950:

19 births
20 marriages
22 deaths
11 depositions of birth

Number of dogs licensed, 90.

Respectfully submitted,

JESSIE B. STACY,
Town Clerk.

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MADELINE E. LIBBY

PERLEY C. LIBBY

Treasurer

LOIS M. PEASE

Collector

ALBERT C. PEASE

Superintending School Committee

THERESA FOX

CLAYTON LOCKE

PAUL W. STACY

Constable

KARL C. STACY

Road Commissioner

SELECTMEN

Superintendent of Schools

LEWIS E. WEBBER

**STATE OF MAINE
BUREAU OF TAXATION
AUGUSTA**

January 2, 1952.

Chairman,
Board of Assessors.

While the State tax in 1951 was assessed and collected and paid over to the State as usual, in 1952 the State tax will be assessed and collected **and retained by the municipality for municipal purposes**. It may seem unduly complicated to continue to assess the State tax under those circumstances, but for legal reasons it is necessary.

Simply stated, each municipality will receive the usual warrant for the State tax. However, the money will not be paid to the State treasurer. You will add the State tax in with the other items of your commitment. Then, **before** determining the rate you will subtract an amount equal to the State tax from your total commitment. In other words, the State tax in 1952 will be handled in the same way that you now handle poll taxes, so far as computing your commitment and tax rate are concerned. The new form of collector's warrant takes this change into consideration.

Please note that the law provides that the State tax in municipalities in 1952 shall be used by the town for necessary expenses of local government as appropriated by the legislative body of the municipality. The money will thus apply against local appropriations; and it cannot be spent except for a purpose for which the town has made an appropriation.

Following is a brief outline of the manner in which you should compute your commitment and rate in 1952:

(Figures used are the same as in the example, page 18 of the Guide for Use of Assessors.)

State tax,	\$1,270.00
County tax,	433.00
Town appropriations,	5,250.00
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	\$6,953.00

Subtract:

Poll taxes (67 x \$3.00),	\$ 201.00	
State tax (because this will be retained for local use),	1,270.00	
	<hr/>	1,471.00
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Amount to be raised by property taxation, \$5,482.00

Divide the result by the valuation:

$$189,000 \mid \begin{array}{r} .0290052 \\ \hline 5,482.00 \end{array}$$

The actual rate necessary to raise the required money is thus found to be slightly over 29 mills; and a rate of 30 mills would produce the sum required plus a legitimate overlay.

Sincerely yours,

ERNEST H. JOHNSON,

State Tax Assessor.

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

Oxford, ss. State of Maine
 To Karl C. Stacy, a Constable in the Town of Porter, in
 said County: Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby requested to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said Town of Porter, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall in said town on the third day of March, A. D. 1952, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To see what sum or sums of money the town will grant and raise for the support of schools for the ensuing year.

Estimated needs are as follows:

Elementary school maintenance,	\$ 8,700.00
High school maintenance,	2,600.00
Books and supplies,	700.00
Insurance,	600.00
Library,	150.00
Laboratory,	100.00
Repairs and equipment,	1,800.00
School bus payments,	1,789.00

Total,	\$16,439.00
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Budget committee recommendation, \$16,439.00.

Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to authorize the employment of a fifth teacher at Porter High School in order to prepare for an anticipated increase in the number of students to be enrolled next year.

Budget committee recommendation,

Art. 5. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to pay the salary of a fifth teacher at Porter High School. (Estimated cost until the end of the 1952-1953 fiscal year: \$1,400.00.)

Budget committee recommendation, \$1,400.00.

Art. 6. To see if the town will vote to install a new heating system in the primary school.

Budget committee recommends,

Art. 7. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for a new heating system at the primary school. (Estimated cost: \$2,900.00.)

Budget committee recommendation, \$500.00.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to sell the Porter Village School.

Art. 9. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for support of the Porter High School band.

Budget committee recommendation, \$200.00; to be included in the school budget.

Art. 10. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for contingent expenses for the ensuing year.

Budget committee recommendation, \$500.00.

Art. 11. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for town officers' bills for the ensuing year.

Budget committee recommendation, \$1,500.00.

Art. 12. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for repairs of streets in Kezar Falls Precinct for the ensuing year.

Budget committee recommendation, \$600.00.

Art. 13. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the repairs of highways and bridges outside Kezar Falls for the ensuing year.

Budget committee recommendation, \$1,500.00.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for State aid road construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges) under the provisions of Sections 25 and 29, Chapter 20, R. S. 1944, as amended.

Budget committee recommendation, \$1,066.00.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for snow removal for the years 1952-53.

Budget committee recommendation, \$3,500.00.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for memorial purposes and how it shall be expended.

Budget committee recommendation, \$50.00.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for public library in Kezar Falls.

Budget committee recommendation, \$25.00.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to pay interest on temporary loans and outstanding orders.

Budget committee recommendation, \$500.00.

Art. 19. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for street light services for the ensuing year.

Budget committee recommendation, \$490.00.

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the benefit of the Kezar Falls Fire Department.

Budget committee recommendation, \$100.00.

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for aid to dependent children.

Budget committee recommendation, \$1,000.00.

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for civil defense.

Budget committee recommendation, \$100.00.

Art. 23. To see whether or not the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80, Section 95, of the Revised Statutes of Maine.

Budget committee recommendation, \$25.00.

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to co-operate with the Maine Forest Service and the Federal Government in control of white pine blister rust, in accordance with Revised Statutes, Chapter 32, Section 54.

Budget committee recommendation, \$300.00.

Art. 25. To see if the town will raise and appropriate for public health nursing in Porter, \$100.00. Said sum to be expended by the Maine Department of Health and Welfare, Bureau of Health, for local service.

Budget committee recommendation, \$100.00.

Art. 26. To see if the town will grant and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to pay school physician for the ensuing year.

Budget committee recommendation, \$100.00.

Art. 27. To see what sum, if any, the town will vote to raise for heating the gymnasium in order that it may be used for school activities. The said sum to be supervised by the superintending school committee.

Budget committee recommendation, \$200.00; to be included in the school budget.

Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to grant and raise the sum of \$500.00 for the repair of the road leading from the swamp road up over the hill to George Day's farm.

Art. 29. To see if and when a new bridge is built to replace the old Covered Bridge if the town will vote to give their share in the old covered bridge to the Porter and Parsonsfield Historical Society that they may save it as one of the old landmarks in the town.

Art. 30. To see if the town will vote to spend \$500.00 of the unimproved road money on the road from the top of the cemetery hill by the residence of Sidney Libby.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF POOR

Number of polls taxed, 275 @ \$3.00.

Number of polls not taxed, 26.

Rate of taxation, \$116.00 per thousand.

Real estate, resident, value, \$217,320.00

Real estate, non-resident, value, 57,785.00

Total,	\$275,105.00
Personal estate, resident, value,	\$25,362.00
Personal estate, non-resident, value,	9,755.00

Total,	35,117.00
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Grand total,	\$310,222.00
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TAXABLE LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

	No.	Av. Value	Total Value
Horses, mules and ponies, over 4 years old,	26	\$39.00	\$1,010.00
Steers, oxen, bulls, over 18 months,	9	50.00	450.00
Milk cows, including heifers that have freshened,	87	44.00	3,750.00
Heifers, over 2 years old,	11	32.00	355.00
Heifers, 18 months to 2 years old,	9	25.00	230.00
Chickens, over 50 in number,	4,025	.06	235.00
Domestic fowl, over 50 in number,	4,025	.50	2,012.00
Total,			\$8,042.00

OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY

Stock in trade,	\$11,100.00
Portable mills, including gas engines, 2,	450.00
Lumber, 20M,	240.00
Gas pumps and attachments, 24	2,465.00
Musical instruments, 71,	3,550.00
Radios, 247,	2,000.00
Tractor, 1,	50.00
Machinery and equipment,	720.00
Water company,	2,850.00
Light and power company,	3,500.00
Other property,	6,500.00
Taxable livestock and poultry,	8,042.00
Black growth,	150.00
	<hr/> \$41,617.00

TAX COLLECTOR

Commitment,	\$36,810.75
Supplemental,	208.33
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Total charged to collector,	\$37,019.08
Credits to collector:	
Cash to treasurer,	\$35,939.30
Liens,	681.72
Discounts,	286.36
Abatements,	29.90
Uncollected,	81.80
	<hr/> \$37,019.08

TAX LIENS, 1951

Linwood Rice,	\$ 14.94
A. W. Marston,	150.00
Bert Tarr,	6.96
Walter Davis,	36.54
Bernard Eastman,	2.90
Percy Weeks,	47.56

Dana Caswell,	46.40	
Joseph Locklin,	14.50	
Harry Waddell,	90.48	
	<hr/>	\$681.72

ABATEMENTS, 1951

Alfred Batty,	\$3.00	
Harry Blazo,	3.00	
Bruce Emmons,	3.00	
Gardner Leavitt,	3.00	
Neal McGowen,	3.00	
Elwyn Pierce,	3.00	
Lester Smith,	1.16	
Clyde Whipple,	1.16	
Adrian Durgin,	3.00	
Donald Wright,	3.58	
Roland Day,	3.00	
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Total,		\$29.90

UNCOLLECTED, 1951

Total uncollected for 1951,	\$763.52	
Transferred to lien,	681.72	
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Balance uncollected,		\$81.80
Amos Lawler,	\$ 1.74	
Spencer Mann,	6.96	
Clarence Pottle and Philip Robinson,	23.20	
Donald York,	2.90	
Leonard Williamson,	3.00	
Howard Chick,	3.00	
Ralph Douglas,*	3.00	
Elwin Demers,	12.28	
Bernard Eastman,	3.00	
Walter Davis,	1.16	
Bert Tarr,	20.98	
Joseph Locklin,	.58	
	<hr/>	\$81.80

* Those marked with star paid after books closed.

UNPAID TAX LIENS AND COSTS

Name	Year	Amount
Adams, Ormistown,	1936	\$ 2.76
Allen, Edward C.,	1936	2.76
Allen, George W.,	1936	3.39
Bates, E. C.,	1941	4.50
Bates, E. C.,	1942	4.50
Bates, E. C.,	1943	4.70
Bates, E. C.,	1944	5.10
Bates, E. C.,	1946	5.44
Blake, Chester and Everett,	1950	16.38
Bowdoin, Ellen, Mrs.,	1943	11.90
Bowdoin, Ellen, Mrs.,	1944	13.20
Bowdoin, Ellen, Mrs.,	1945	14.60
Bowdoin, Ellen, Mrs.,	1946	14.29
Butland, Lyle,	1936	2.76
Chapman, John A.,	1946	56.60
Charland, William,	1938	2.94
Charland, William,	1939	2.98
Charland, William,	1940	2.90
Chase, George,	1945	43.50
Chase, George,	1948	50.50
Chase, George,	1949	56.00
Chick, Howard,	1942	10.50
Chick, Stillman, Heirs,	1943	11.10
Chick, Stillman, Heirs,	1944	12.30
Clark, Clarence, Jr.,	1949	20.64
Day, Floyd,	1947	11.54
Day, Forrest,	1949	30.52
Drisko, Agnes,	1942	4.50
Drisko, Agnes,	1944	5.10
Drowns, Charles,	1949	21.68
Drowns, Charles,	1950	23.05
Drowns, Kenneth,	1950	6.81
Dyer, Howard F.,	1937	4.22
Dyer, Howard F.,	1938	4.38
Dyer, Howard F.,	1939	4.46

Dyer, Howard F.,	1940	4.30
Dyer, William W.,	1937	4.90
Dyer, William W.,	1938	5.10
Dyer, William W.,	1939	5.20
Dyer, William W.,	1940	5.00
Eastman, Clayton,	1939	21.21
Eastman, Clayton,	1940	29.50
Eastman, Clayton,	1950	45.09
Eastman, Clifford,	1950	23.30
Eastman, Elmer,	1949	28.96
Eastman, Elmer,	1950	30.84
Eastman, Roland,	1948	12.90
Fournier, Archie,	1939	2.98
Fournier, Archie,	1940	2.90
Garmon, Fred,	1934	3.66
Garmon, Fred,	1936	4.02
Giles, Lawrence,	1936	2.76
Gould, J. A.,	1936	2.76
Gould, J. A.,	1937	2.86
Gould, J. A.,	1938	2.94
Gould, J. A.,	1939	2.98
Gould, J. A.,	1941	3.00
Gould, J. A.,	1945	3.52
Gould, J. A.,	1946	3.47
Grady, Chris, Heirs,	1948	31.70
Grady, Chris, Heirs,	1949	35.20
Grover, L. C.,	1936	10.32
Grover, L. C.,	1937	11.02
Grover, L. C.,	1938	11.58
Grover, L. C.,	1939	11.86
Grover, L. C.,	1940	11.30
Hendrickson, F. B., Heirs,	1948	5.76
Johnson, Alfred,	1947	20.30
Johnson, Alfred,	1948	24.18
Johnson, Herbert F.,	1937	9.32
Johnson, Herbert F.,	1938	7.26
Johnson, Herbert F.,	1940	7.10
Jordon, Chas. B., Mrs.,	1947	75.74
Jordon, Chas. B., Mrs.,	1948	75.24

Jordon, Chas. B., Mrs.,	1949	76.80
Kenniston, Orman,	1938	2.94
Kenniston, Orman,	1939	2.98
Kenniston, Orman,	1940	2.90
Keniston, Edna A.,	1938	2.94
Kenniston, Edna A.,	1939	2.98
Kenniston, Edna A.,	1940	2.90
Lang, James G.,	1936	4.02
Lawler, Amos,	1949	5.25
Lawler, Amos,	1950	5.07
Leffinwell, H. M.,	1936	4.02
Levecque, William,	1936	4.65
McCormick, Paul J.,	1936	2.76
Mann, Spencer A.,	1949	10.24
Mann, Spencer A.,	1950	10.29
Marston, Harry,	1949	26.88
Marston, Harry,	1949	10.24
Morse, Lloyd B.,	1940	4.30
Morse, Lloyd B.,	1941	4.50
Morse, Lloyd B.,	1942	4.50
Morse, Lloyd B.,	1943	4.70
Morse, Lloyd B.,	1944	5.10
Morse, Lloyd B.,	1945	5.70
Morse, Lloyd B.,	1946	5.60
Mosher, Annie H.,	1936	2.76
Mosher, Annie H.,	1939	2.98
Mosher, Annie H.,	1940	2.90
Mosher, Fred,	1936	4.65
Mosher, Fred,	1938	5.10
Mosher, Fred,	1939	5.20
Mosher, Fred,	1940	5.00
Olsen, Norman,	1936	4.02
Philbrook, Charles, Heirs,	1944	64.90
Richards, Henry,	1936	2.13
Richards, Roscoe A.,	1936	2.13
Richardson, Edward, Mrs.,	1941	3.00
Richardson, Edward, Mrs.,	1942	3.00
Richardson, Edward, Mrs.,	1943	3.10
Richardson, Edward, Mrs.,	1945	3.60

Richardson, Edward, Mrs.,	1946	3.55
Ricker, John,	1936	4.02
Roberts, Lucian,	1950	33.49
Ross, Catherine,	1936	3.39
Rudsit, Joseph,	1937	6.94
Rudsit, Joseph,	1938	7.26
Rust, Everett C.,	1936	2.13
Rust, Everett C.,	1937	2.18
Rust, Everett C.,	1938	2.22
Rust, Everett C.,	1939	2.24
Rust, Everett C.,	1940	2.20
Sawyer, George W.,	1949	7.12
Secor, Raymond,	1936	2.13
Secor, Raymond,	1937	2.18
Secor, Raymond,	1938	2.22
Secor, Raymond,	1939	2.24
Stanley, Randall, Heirs,	1947	11.90
Stanley, Randall, Heirs,	1950	6.81
Stanley, Walter,	1948	27.94
Stanley, Walter,	1949	20.64
Sunderland, James,	1938	2.94
Sunderland, James,	1939	2.98
Sunderland, James,	1940	2.90
Taylor, Clark,	1936	2.76
Titcomb, Arthur L.,	1949	4.00
Towle, Fred,	1949	60.16
Waddell, Harry,	1949	82.00
Waddell, Harry,	1949	16.48
Waddell, Harry,	1950	93.81
Wanibold, Edward W.,	1936	2.76
Williams, Charles,	1936	2.76
Wood, Ruth,	1936	4.02

Total, \$1,851.63

In the past it has been customary to print in the town report unpaid tax liens of prior years. As these liens are one of the principal assets of the town, we are printing the list of names and assets that are now in the custody of the town treasurer.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1951

High school,	\$ 2,500.00	
Common school,	11,289.00	
High and common school textbooks,	700.00	
High school library,	75.00	
High school laboratory,	75.00	
Commercial course,	1,300.00	
Alterations and improvements,	1,000.00	
Rhinehart Writing System,	300.00	
Repairs and insurance on school-house,	1,000.00	
Contingent expenses,	500.00	
Town officers' bills,	1,200.00	
Repair of streets in Kezar Falls,	200.00	
Pease and Day Streets,	600.00	
Highways and bridges outside Kezar Falls,	1,500.00	
State aid road,	1,066.00	
Snow removal,	3,500.00	
Memorial purposes,	50.00	
Public library,	25.00	
Advertising Maine,	25.00	
White pine blister,	300.00	
Street lights,	490.00	
Fire department,	150.00	
Interest on temporary loans,	500.00	
Accounts payable note,	2,500.00	
Civil defense,	200.00	
Aid to dependent children,	1,000.00	
School physician,	100.00	
Health nurse,	100.00	
State tax,	3,047.61	
County tax,	1,393.56	
Overlay,	124.58	
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		\$36,810.75
Supplemental,		208.33
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		\$37,019.08

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Appropriation,		\$1,200.00
Tax collector, Albert C. Pease,	\$ 287.51	
Treasurer, Lois M. Pease,	125.00	
Town clerk, Jessie B. Stacy,	50.00	
Superintendent of schools, Lewis E. Webber,	269.13	
Auditor, L. Everett Outhouse,	164.62	
Selectman, Ann L. MacDonald,	100.00	
Selectman, Clarence S. Sawyer,	100.00	
Selectman, Madeline E. Libby,	100.00	
Selectman, Perley C. Libby,	100.00	
Ballot clerk, Blanche Libby,	6.00	
Ballot clerk, Bernice Goodwin,	6.00	
Ballot clerk, Helen Merrifield,	6.00	
Ballot clerk, Mabel Black,	6.00	
Overexpended,		120.26
Total,	\$1,320.26	\$1,320.26

CONTINGENT EXPENSES

Appropriation,		\$500.00
Tax lien costs,		39.98
Interest on town bonds,		62.50
Bank stock tax,		261.36
Dog licenses refund,		13.75
Total,		\$877.59
Albert C. Pease, liens and cost,	\$ 47.60	
Albert C. Pease, postage and supplies,	23.85	
Branham Printing Company, truck guide,	3.11	
Jessie B. Stacy, postage and recording,	23.31	
Lois M. Pease, postage, telephone and supplies,	15.75	

Clarence S. Sawyer, postage, tele- phone and express,	6.32	
Percy Peers, constable,	40.00	
Chester Small, printing,	182.75	
Marks Printing Company, supplies,	54.30	
Kezar Falls National Bank, safety box,	8.80	
H. H. Hay Sons, health clinic,	29.71	
Joe Wigon, office supplies,	87.15	
Loring, Short & Harmon, town clerk supplies,	18.90	
Chester Small, boundary slips,	3.37	
Sarah Chase, postage,	5.00	
S. R. Batchelder, officers' bonds,	33.50	
Discount Martin, repair typewriter,	6.00	
Myron Ridlon, office supplies,	4.30	
U. S. Auto Truck Guide,	6.00	
Press Herald, snow removal notice,	15.84	
Sanford Tribune, snow removal notice,	6.60	
Stanley burying grounds,	1.00	
Arundel Print Shop, office supplies,	23.00	
Dr. Paul C. Marston, Porter pre- school clinic,	1.50	
Olive Goldthwaite,	2.75	
Karl C. Stacy, posting warrants,	7.20	
Unexpended,	219.98	
Total,	<hr/> \$877.59	<hr/> \$877.59
PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE		
Appropriation,		\$100.00
Paid department of health and welfare,		\$100.00
KEZAR FALLS FIRE DEPARTMENT		
Appropriation,		\$150.00
Kezar Falls fire department,	\$150.00	
Kezar Falls fires,	66.50	
Overexpended,		66.50
Total,	<hr/> \$216.50	<hr/> \$216.50

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation,	\$490.00
Cornish & Kezar Falls Light & Power Co.,	\$490.00

WINTER ROADS

Appropriation,	\$3,500.00
Received from State,	1,142.50
Total,	<u>\$4,642.50</u>

Payroll,	\$ 760.20	
Sand pile,	91.56	
Norton Hardware Co., shovel,	1.75	
Winter maintenance, State of Maine,	228.80	
W. H. Shurtleff, salt,	248.00	
Lawrence Taylor, plowing,	3,200.00	
Unexpended,	112.19	
Total,	<u>\$4,642.50</u>	<u>\$4,642.50</u>

UNIMPROVED ROADS

Received from State,		\$1,617.71
Payroll,	\$1,529.59	
Oxford Box Corp.,	1.95	
New England Metal Culvert Co.,	88.12	
Gravel,	135.60	
Overexpended,		137.55
Total,	\$1,755.26	\$1,755.26

STREETS IN KEZAR FALLS PRECINCT

Appropriation,		\$200.00
Blue Rock Quarry, patch,	\$ 27.86	
Kezar Falls Village Corp.,	172.14	
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Total,	\$200.00	\$200.00

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES OUTSIDE OF KEZAR FALLS PRECINCT

Appropriation,		\$1,500.00
Payroll,	\$1,684.88	
Culverts,	60.37	
Norton Hardware Co., spikes,	1.50	
Oxford Land & Lumber Co., plank,	83.88	
Overexpended,		330.63
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Total,	\$1,830.63	\$1,830.63

PEASE AND DAY STREETS

Appropriation,		\$600.00
Payroll,	\$248.11	
Gravel,	32.80	
Unexpended,	319.09	
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Total,	\$600.00	\$600.00

RESIDENT RELIEF

Randall Libby Fund,		\$ 20.00
Dr. Paul C. Marston, refund,		10.00
Clayton Eastman, refund,		6.00
Excise taxes,		3,278.38
Aid to dependent children,		1,000.00
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Total,		\$4,314.38
Aid to dependent children,	\$ 780.48	
Osgood Pendexter,	305.56	
Mrs. Robert Day,	148.55	
Jennie Chellis,	1,220.00	
Sylvia Smith,	39.00	
Leona Ridlon,	7.00	
Clayton Eastman,	43.63	
Tramp,	3.21	
Lawrence Woodman,	356.08	
Edwin Thurston,	141.00	
Walter Blair,	35.26	

Merton Day,	100.00	
Veteran No. 1,	140.85	
Veteran No. 2,	71.22	
Veteran No. 3,	44.99	
Veteran No. 4,	7.70	
Unexpended,	869.85	
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Total,	\$4,314.38	\$4,314.38

UNSETTLED RELIEF

Received from State,		\$ 938.75
Mabel Pratt,	\$ 938.75	
Fred Sawyer,	68.69	
Overexpended,		68.69
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Total,	\$1,007.44	\$1,007.44

NON-RESIDENT RELIEF

Received from Town of Sweden,		\$155.76
Received refund from Dr. Paul C. Marston,		.50
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Total,		\$156.26
Due from Sweden, 1950,	\$ 82.76	
Richard Berry,	73.00	
Unexpended,	.50	
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Total,	\$156.26	\$156.26

STATE RELIEF

Received from State,		\$1,938.07
Mabel Pratt,	\$ 40.00	
Wilbur Bean,	164.45	
William Cilley,	393.55	
Bertha Farris,	151.13	
Herbert Frost,	187.47	
Crosby Littlefield,	1,030.90	
Due from State,		29.43
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Total,	\$1,967.50	\$1,967.50

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Appropriation,		\$25.00
Received from State,		2.50
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Total,		\$27.50
Paid Kezar Falls Library Assn.,	\$27.50	
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Total,	\$27.50	\$27.50

MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation,		\$50.00
Paid West-Day Post,		\$50.00

TEMPORARY LOANS

Kezar Falls National Bank,		\$11,500.00
Paid Kezar Falls National Bank,		\$11,500.00

DEMAND NOTES

Appropriation, pay accounts payable note,		\$2,500.00
Appropriation, State aid road note,		1,066.00
Due from State on State aid road note,		2,132.00
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Total,		\$5,698.00
Paid Kezar Falls National Bank,		\$5,698.00

**INTEREST ON TEMPORARY LOANS AND
DEMAND NOTES**

Appropriation,		\$500.00
Interest paid,	\$494.52	
Unexpended,	5.48	
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Total,	\$500.00	\$500.00

STATE TAX

Paid State treasurer,		\$3,047.61
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COUNTY TAX

Paid County treasurer,		\$1,393.56
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EXCISE TAXES

Collected,		\$3,766.81
Paid Kezar Falls Village Corp.,	\$ 376.68	
Albert Pease, collector,	111.75	
Transferred to resident relief,	3,278.38	
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Total,	\$3,766.81	\$3,766.81

CIVIL DEFENSE

Appropriation,		\$200.00
Civil defense supplies,	\$174.17	
Unexpended,	25.83	
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Total,	\$200.00	\$200.00

SPECIAL RESOLVE MONEY

Available in 1952,	\$400.00
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AUDITOR'S REPORT

February 12, 1952.

Board of Selectmen,
Town of Porter,
Porter, Maine.
Gentlemen:

In accordance with your request, we have audited the records of the Town of Porter, for the municipal year ended February 9, 1952.

This examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and included all procedures which we considered necessary. Insofar as could be determined, within the scope of the examination, the financial affairs of the town appear to have been administered in a proper manner.

The results of the audit are disclosed in the exhibits and schedules embodied in this report, and fairly present the financial position of the Town of Porter, and the results of its operations for the municipal year ended February 9, 1952.

Respectfully submitted,

L. EVERETT OUTHOUSE.

BALANCE SHEETS COMPARED

Assets

	Years Ended	
	Feb. 10, 1951	Feb. 9, 1952
Cash,	\$ 3,959.70	\$ 6,084.79
Tax liens,	2,823.21	2,521.19
Tax deeds,	158.53	158.53
Uncollected taxes,	334.50	144.15
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Total assets,	\$ 7,275.94	\$ 8,908.66
Trust funds invested,	63,984.32	63,984.32
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Total assets and trust funds in- vested,	\$71,260.26	\$72,892.98

Liabilities

Accounts payable,	\$ 360.20	\$ 360.20
Notes payable,	12,245.50	5,173.50
Reserves:		
Tax liens,	176.39	176.39
Tax deeds,	116.31	116.31
Appropriation balances forward,	5,121.35	5,278.49
Total liabilities,	\$18,019.75	\$11,104.89
Net town debt,	10,743.81	2,196.23
Total liabilities and town debt,	\$ 7,275.94	\$ 8,908.66
Trust funds principal,	63,984.32	63,984.32
Total liabilities, net town debt and trust funds principal,	\$71,260.26	\$72,892.98

ANALYSIS OF TOWN DEBT**Year Ended February 9, 1952**

Net deficit, balance February 10, 1951,		\$10,743.81
Charge to debt:		
Discount and abatement of taxes,		316.26
Total,		\$11,060.07
Credits to debt:		
Supplemental taxes, 1951,	\$ 208.33	
Supplemental taxes, 1950,	92.80	
Current year appropriations unexpended,	1,490.71	
Part payments on school bus notes,	1,374.00	
State aid road note paid,	3,198.00	
Payment of back bills note,	2,500.00	
Total credits,		8,863.84
Net deficit, balance February 9, 1952,		\$2,196.23

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand February 10, 1951, \$ 3,959.70

Receipts

Taxes, 1951,	\$35,939.30	
Taxes, 1950,	78.32	
Tax liens,	1,317.85	
Excise tax,	4,425.97	
		41,761.44

Received from State:

Education:

Equalization fund,	\$ 285.00	
State school fund,	9,028.94	
Health and welfare,	2,876.82	
Snow removal,	1,142.50	
Library stipend,	2.50	
Bank stock tax,	261.36	
Unimproved roads,	70.00	
Town road improvement,	1,617.71	
State aid road,	2,132.00	
Dog license refund,	13.75	
		17,430.58

Tuition:

Effingham School District,	\$ 285.32	
Freedom,	160.00	
Parsonsfield,	2,575.00	
Hiram,	2,343.40	
Roger Jordan,	40.00	
		5,403.72

MISCELLANEOUS

Ann MacDonald, rent of school-		
house,	\$ 9.00	
Temporary loans,	11,500.00	
Town of Sweden,	155.76	
Porter High A. A., toll calls,	30.85	
Lewis Webber, sale of bus tires,	12.50	
Porter High A. A., bus fares,	73.50	

Wilcox & Follett, credit account books,	6.75
Lewis Webber, sale of used supplies,	14.50
Dr. P. C. Marston, refund account Eastman & Davis,	10.50
Clayton Eastman, resident relief account,	6.00
Clarence Sawyer, lumber,	18.00
Porter High, refund on baton,	1.75
Clarence Parot, rent on schoolhouse,	24.00
Lewis Webber, high school instruction,	21.39
Paul Stacy, books,	2.97
Ellsworth Lebroke, evening school tuition,	133.00
Town of Cornish, books and supplies,	11.06
Carol G. Stanley, sale of slate,	1.00
	<hr/> 12,032.53

Interest received:

U. S. Government, account ministerial school fund,	\$ 42.50
U. S. Government, account Randall Libby fund,	20.00
U. S. Government, account Town Hall account,	62.50
Trustees George W. Towle fund,	925.00
	<hr/> 1,050.00
Total receipts,	<hr/> \$81,637.97
Paid out according to selectmen's warrants,	75,553.18
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Cash balance as of February 12, 1952,	\$6,084.79

PARSONSFIELD ELIJAH FOX TRUST FUND
1951

Capital Account

On hand February 14, 1952:

Maine Central Railroad,	\$1,000.00	
Penn. Power & Light Co.,	2,000.00	
Southern Pacific Co.,	1,000.00	
Central Maine Power Co.,	2,000.00	
Green Mountain Power Co.,	4,000.00	
Balance in Kezar Falls Nation- al Bank,	255.60	
	<hr/>	\$10,255.60

PARSONSFIELD ELIJAH FOX TRUST FUND

Interest and Dividend Account

Received interest:

Maine Central Railroad,	\$ 40.00
Penn. Power & Light Co.,	60.00
Southern Pacific Co.,	45.00
Green Mountain Power Co.,	150.00

Received dividend:

Central Maine Power Co.,	70.00	
	<hr/>	\$365.00

Paid to Lois Pease, treasurer,

Town of Porter,	\$365.00
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SIDNEY R. BATCHELDER,
Trustee of Trust Funds.

PORTER ELIJAH FOX TRUST FUND

Capital Assets

On hand February 14, 1952:

Jacksonville Gas Corp.,	\$1,000.00
U. S. Treasury bond,	500.00
Southern Pacific Co.,	2,000.00
Maine Central Railroad,	2,000.00
Green Mountain Power Co.,	2,000.00

Buffalo-Niagara Electric Corporation,	2,000.00	
18 shares Central Maine Power Co., 3½% pref.,	1,557.00	
Balance in Kezar Falls National Bank,	311.47	
	<hr/>	\$11,368.47

PORTER ELIJAH FOX TRUST FUND

1951

Interest and Dividend Account

Received interest:

Southern Pacific Co.,	\$90.00
Buffalo-Niagara Electric Corporation,	55.00
Jacksonville Gas Corporation,	40.00
Green Mountain Power Co.,	75.00
Maine Central Railroad,	80.00
U. S. Treasury bond,	12.50

Received dividend:

Central Maine Power Co.,	63.00	
	<hr/>	\$415.50
Paid to Lois Pease, treasurer, Town of Porter,		\$415.50
Paid to Kezar Falls National Bank, box rent from assets on hand,		\$4.80

SIDNEY R. BATCHELDER,

Trustee of Trust Funds.

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE GEORGE W.
TOWLE SCHOOL FUND**

February 1, 1952

Interest Account

Received interest on United States Savings Bonds, Series G,	\$925.00
Paid to the treasurer of the Town of Porter,	\$925.00

Principal Account — Trust Funds

\$37,000.00 United States Savings Bonds, Series G, 2½%
due July 1, 1958.

FRANK P. GOODWIN,

PAUL W. STACY,

J. MALCOLM STANLEY,

Trustees.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Fiscal Year Ending February 9, 1952

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens
of the Town of Porter:

It is a pleasure to submit my second annual report as your superintendent of schools, and to discuss for you various items relating to the education of the youth of this community. The topics to receive consideration include personnel and school population data, high school facilities, college preparation survey, repairs, primary school heating, budget data for the ensuing year and the financial report for the past year.

PERSONNEL AND ENROLLMENT DATA

There were three changes in the faculty this year, including two replacements and the addition of a commercial teacher in the high school.

Mr. Frederick Noone of Merrimac, Massachusetts, was assigned to the eighth grade position formerly held by Mr. Ernest Leighton. Mr. Noone received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Social Sciences at Boston College in 1951. This is his first year of teaching.

Mr. A. Raymond Rogers, Jr., succeeded Mr. Harold Andrews as principal of the high school. Mr. Rogers is a native of Waterville, Maine, and prior to his coming to Kezar Falls he was principal of the high school in Brooksville, Maine. He holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Colby College and has nearly completed study at the University of Maine for a Master of Arts Degree in Education.

The inauguration of a commercial curriculum was placed in the hands of Mr. Ellsworth Lebroke of Norway, Maine. Mr. Lebroke is a graduate of the Bliss Business College in Lewiston. During the preceding year he taught at Gardiner, Maine in place of a teacher on leave of absence. Previously he conducted an evening class in Norway, and he has introduced a similar project in this community.

The complete directory of teachers and their assignments is as follows:

PORTER PRIMARY SCHOOL

Name	Assignment
Mrs. Evelyn Stacy,	Sub-primary
Mrs. Irene Welch,	Grade 1
Mrs. Verna Wentworth, Principal,	Grade 2
Mrs. Ruth Merrifield,	Grade 3

MILLIKEN SCHOOL

Mrs. Evelyn Day,	Grade 4
Mrs. Edith Cartland, Principal,	Grade 5
Mrs. Bertha Moody,	Grade 6
Mrs. Alice Williams,	Grade 7

PORTER HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Frederick Noone,	Grade 8
Mr. Theodore Finnegan,	
	Science, Social Sciences, Athletics
Mr. Ellsworth Lebroke,	Business
Mrs. Mabel McDade,	English, French
Mr. Raymond Rogers, Principal,	
	Mathematics, Social Sciences, Athletics

MUSIC

Mrs. Flora Carpenter,	Elementary and High School
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Enrollment figures fluctuate during the year. In order to provide a common basis for comparisons, it is proposed to make it a policy to use data as of December the first each year.

An examination of the following charts will show that the trend in the number of pupils attending the Kezar Falls schools is definitely upward. If this trend continues, as seems probable especially in the high school, a reckoning period is ahead. Some implications are discussed in another section of this report.

ENROLLMENTS IN ELEMENTARY GRADES

	S. P.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Totals
Parsonsfield,	11	7	12	8	8	6	8	5	6	71
Porter,	20	20	25	26	24	15	19	28	24	201
Totals, 1951-1952,	31	27	37	34	32	21	27	33	30	272
Totals, 1950-1951,	29	34	34	30	22	26	32	28	22	257
Totals, 1949-1950,	36	34	34	25	27	30	31	23	28	268

PORTER HIGH SCHOOL ENROLLMENTS (By Grades)

Year	9	10	11	12	Totals
1951-1952,	29	25	20	10	84
1950-1951,	29	23	11	10	73
1949-1950,	23	13	12	20	68

(By Towns)

Sending Town	1949-1950	1950-1951	1951-1952
Effingham, N. H.,	0	2	1
Freedom, N. H.,	3	1	0
Hiram,	13	14	17
Parsonsfield,	15	17	17
Porter,	37	39	49
Totals,	68	73	84

HIGH SCHOOL FACILITIES

The increasing enrollment at the high school has threatened to overtax the classroom and personnel facilities, and would have been a serious problem this year if a fourth teacher had not been added to the faculty. Obviously the lower pupil-teacher ratio that can be maintained, the smaller the class sizes tend to be. (Another factor to be reckoned with is, of course, the availability of additional rooms.) Inasmuch as the evidence strongly

points to a high school of 100 or more students next year, there is a special article in the town warrant to see if the town will authorize the employment of a fifth teacher, and another article to provide funds for said employment. The need for this move is discussed in the report of the high school principal so I shall content myself with three brief observations:

1. The hiring of a fifth teacher can be shown to be both economically feasible and educationally advisable;
2. A survey of high schools of Maine having enrollments of 85 to 100 students reveals that the number of teachers employed averages higher than five per school; and
3. By adding furniture to the library, that room can be made into a general purpose reference, study, and recitation room.

COLLEGE PREPARATION SURVEY

To answer questions about Latin requirements for college entrance, a survey was made of twelve or more representative colleges in the New England area. The reports show that colleges are very much in agreement in not listing Latin as an entrance requirement. In general, the foreign language specified was two years of French, and many colleges do not demand even that. The one exception in the field of foreign languages as revealed by the survey was an exclusive women's college which expects preparation in Latin.

The conclusion to be drawn from this study is that three years of French will adequately cover the language needs of students preparing for college except in extremely rare cases.

To protect his own interests, a student should consult with his principal as to the college entrance requirements of the school of his choosing as early in his high school career as possible.

REPAIRS

The volunteer labor program was on in earnest last summer, and much was accomplished. The primary building received a coat of paint on the outside, and the main room at the high school was renovated to the extent of a new ceiling, repainted walls and woodwork, and a sanded and waxed floor. Other gratis help went into the construction of a principal's office and the removal of a partition between the science laboratory and an adjoining room in order to make a large combination recitation, demonstration, and experiment room.

Any attempt to single out individuals for special thanks would most likely result in the unintentional slighting of one or more persons. However, those who gave of their time and efforts may rest assured that there are many who appreciate their generosity and enthusiasm.

PRIMARY SCHOOL HEATING

The question of a new heating system at the primary school is not a new one. No doubt the reasons for making a change have been discussed many times. However, the condition of the furnace is one major consideration and that seems to be more questionable now than heretofore. Also, it is no minor matter to say that the town has been fortunate in having a janitor who has been willing to devote the necessary time in tending the furnace—the measured value of said time far exceeding the wages received.

BUDGET FOR 1952-1953

The budget has been prepared on the basis of a MINIMUM program so-called. Monies requested over and above that are presented in special articles of the town warrant, and have been discussed earlier in this report.

The anticipated expenditures for the ensuing year show an increase of approximately \$2,850.00 over last year. The increase is explained in round figures as follows: a larger bus payment; the salary of the commercial teacher will be reflected for a full year for the first

time, accounting for about \$1,100.00 of the increase; repairs and equipment make about \$200.00 more; salary increases granted last year to be reflected for a full year amount to about \$500.00; the remaining \$650.00 is to cover anticipated increased costs over and above commitments already in existence.

Despite the anticipated expenditure increase, the proposed appropriations show a decrease of \$1,800.00 from last year, and \$3,800.00 from two years ago. How much longer we can continue to spend more money but raise less, is something I don't care to predict. However, there is an explanation of this year's favorable picture:

1. The town received more money from State subsidies than was anticipated, giving a sizable unexpended balance to carry forward to next year.
2. An even larger State subsidy is expected for next year.
3. The town is receiving more money from high school tuitions.

For your convenience, a table of comparative appropriation figures over a three year period is presented as follows:

Account	Appropriation 1950-1951	Appropriation 1951-1952 *	Proposed 1952-1953
Elementary maintenance,	\$ 9,541.00	\$10,215.00	\$ 8,700.00
High school maintenance,	6,800.00	3,800.00	2,600.00
Books and supplies,	700.00	700.00	700.00
Repairs and equipment,	1,100.00	2,000.00	1,800.00
Insurance,	(In above)	(In above)	
Library,	75.00	75.00	150.00
Laboratory,	75.00	75.00	100.00
Bus payments,	1,918.00	1,374.00	1,789.00
Totals,	\$20,209.00	\$18,239.00	\$16,439.00

Following this report you will find the reports of the principal of the high school and the supervisor of music, and the financial statement for the past year.

In behalf of all school personnel, I wish to express sincere thanks and appreciation to the many citizens who have co-operated in the efforts to provide better education for the children. Your interest and support lend invaluable encouragement as we pursue our work.

Most sincerely,

LEWIS E. WEBBER,

Superintendent of Schools.

FINANCIAL REPORT

PORTER SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Fiscal Year Ending February 9, 1952

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MAINTENANCE

Receipts

Unexpended last year,	\$ 1,844.92
1951 appropriation,	11,289.00
1951 State subsidy,	5,628.94
Rinehart Writing appropriation,	300.00
Ministerial school fund,	42.50
High School A. A.,	73.50
Lewis Webber, sale of old tires and books,	27.00
Roger Jordan, tuition,	40.00
	<hr/> \$19,245.86

Expenses

Instruction,	\$11,736.37
Fuel,	495.00
Janitor, cleaning and supplies,	609.61
Conveyance,	3,806.86
Utilities,	164.51
School bus payments,	1,374.00
	<hr/> \$18,186.35
Unexpended this year,	1,059.51
	<hr/> \$19,245.86

Contingent Fund

Retirement funds payable,	\$105.10	
Withholding tax payable,	175.30	
Back pay due teachers,	533.60	
	<hr/>	\$814.00
Net balance,		<hr/> \$245.51

HIGH SCHOOL MAINTENANCE**Receipts**

Unexpended last year,	\$2,530.71	
1951 appropriation,	2,500.00	
Commercial appropriation,	1,300.00	
1951 State subsidy,	2,400.00	
1951 State equalization fund,	285.00	
Town of Parsonsfield, tuition,	2,575.00	
Town of Hiram, tuition,	2,343.40	
Effingham School District,	285.32	
Freedom School District,	160.00	
George W. Towle fund,	925.00	
High School A. A.,	52.24	
	<hr/>	\$15,356.67

Expenses

Instruction,	\$ 9,645.80	
Fuel,	1,462.33	
Janitor, cleaning and supplies,	825.58	
Utilities,	292.48	
Tuition, Fryeburg Academy,	282.69	
Parsonsfield, trust fund refund,	12.70	
	<hr/>	\$12,521.58
Unexpended this year,	2,835.09	
	<hr/>	\$15,356.67

Contingent

Retirement funds payable,	\$ 79.56	
Withholding tax payable,	84.60	
Back pay due teachers,	663.55	
	<hr/>	\$827.71
Net balance,		<hr/> \$2,007.38

ADULT EVENING SCHOOL**Receipts**

Tuitions received,	\$133.00	
	<hr/>	\$133.00

Expenses

Ellsworth Lebroke, instructor,	\$60.00	
Unexpended this year,	73.00	
	<hr/>	\$133.00

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES**Receipts**

Unexpended last year,	\$318.58	
1951 appropriation,	700.00	
1951 State subsidy,	900.00	
Wilcox & Follett, used books,	6.75	
Town of Cornish, reimbursement,	11.06	
Paul Stacy, science book,	2.97	
Eastern Musical Supply Co., refund,	1.75	
	<hr/>	\$1,941.11

Expenses

Elementary textbooks,	\$ 518.15	
Elementary supplies,	168.40	
High school textbooks,	678.72	
High school supplies,	137.03	
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	\$1,502.30	
Unexpended this year,	438.81	
	<hr/>	\$1,941.11

HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY**Receipts**

Unexpended last year,	\$ 22.76	
1951 appropriation,	75.00	
1951 State subsidy,	100.00	
	<hr/>	\$197.76

Expenses

Total paid,	\$127.21	
Unexpended this year,	70.55	
	<hr/>	\$197.76

HIGH SCHOOL LABORATORY**Receipts**

Unexpended last year,	\$199.83	
1951 appropriation,	75.00	
	<hr/>	\$274.83

Expenses

Total paid,	\$100.57	
Unexpended this year,	174.26	
	<hr/>	\$274.83

REPAIRS AND INSURANCE**Receipts**

Unexpended last year,	\$ 204.55	
1951 regular appropriation,	1,000.00	
1951 special appropriation,	1,000.00	
Clarence Parot, rent,	24.00	
Ann MacDonald, rent,	9.00	
Clarence Sawyer, sale of lumber,	18.00	
Carol G. Stanley, slate,	1.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,256.55

Expenses

Repairs and equipment,	\$1,557.74	
Insurance,	612.72	
Cornish Library Association, rent,	18.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,188.46
Unexpended this year,	68.09	
	<hr/>	\$2,256.55

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL

To the Superintending School Committee, and the Citizens of the Town of Porter:

I submit to you my first annual report as principal of your high school.

Porter High School started this school year on September 4 with an enrollment of 85. This was approximately 15 more pupils than had been anticipated. At the present time there are 82 students attending Porter High School.

The breakdown of this number is as follows:

Class	Boys	Girls	Total
Seniors,	5	5	10
Juniors,	8	12	20
Sophomores,	12	13	25
Freshmen,	14	13	27
	39	43	82

Students by towns are as follows:

Porter,	47
Parsonsfield,	18
South Hiram,	16
Effingham, N. H.,	1
	82

There are fifty students from the village corporation.

In an effort to better utilize the school a number of changes were made during the summer months.

A new commercial course was added. The Alumni Association bought twelve typing tables and chairs, fifteen bookkeeping desks and chairs, and one teacher's desk and chair. It would be desirable to add an adding machine and a filing cabinet to the commercial equipment.

Mr. Ellsworth Lebroke of Bliss Business College teaches the following commercial subjects: Shorthand, bookkeeping, general business training, and two classes of typing. He also teaches two half credit subjects, business law and salesmanship. Next year office procedure will be taught. The subject is called office practice. In order to better utilize the commercial facilities Mr. Lebroke is teaching night classes in bookkeeping and typing. These courses are open to the public.

Other changes made this year which added to the usefulness of the building are as follows: The removal of a partition in the science room which enables the room to be used for a large classroom and for laboratory demonstrations. A principal's office was built in part of the basement. This makes possible a room for individual conferences with students.

We are fortunate to have back with us this year Mrs. Edward McDade and Mr. Finnegan. Mrs. McDade teaches four years of English, French II, and General Language. Mr. Finnegan teaches Chemistry, Problems of Democracy, World History, Commercial Arithmetic, and General Mathematics. I teach Algebra I, Plain Geometry, General Science and Civics.

The entire faculty has made an effort to make the curriculum meet the needs of the student body. In doing so, changes have been made in class arrangement, study hall, and scheduling. A major change has been made in the evaluating of student work.

Within the eight grades of Porter, Parsonsfield, and South Hiram, there are forty-five students. It is reasonable to expect at least thirty of this group will enter Porter High School as freshmen next September. This would make the school population slightly over one hundred. It is wise to keep the pupil-teacher ratio 20 to 1.

Next year we will be faced with an overcrowded school building unless the library can be converted into a combination library-study hall. Even this year there are thirty students in rooms designed for twenty. This is not at all desirable.

The athletic instruction is supervised by Mr. Finnegan. He also coaches boys' basketball and baseball.

Mrs. Carpenter and Mrs. Doe have a large turnout for the mixed glee club. There are fifty members this year.

Heating the gym, and janitorial services, cost approximately \$275.00 to \$300.00. If the town should pay for this they would receive 55c back on the dollar. This would be possible because of State subsidy.

Mr. Zumestein has twenty-eight members in the band this year. They are doing a superb job. The Band Mothers' Club has done a wonderful job keeping the band organized, and paying Mr. Zumestein \$18.00 a week for his services—\$8.00 of the \$18.00 is for weekly rehearsals.

I will take this opportunity to mention the vast amount of work the students have done this year while working on the Porter Piper and The Outlook. A great deal of creative work has gone into making these two publications. Both are under the supervision of Mrs. McDade and Mr. Lebroke.

On behalf of the faculty, I wish to thank the many clubs, The Keswick Club, the "21" Club, the L. M. R. Club, Kiwanis, American Legion, Order of Redmen, Alumni Association, and all interested citizens who have donated so much time and money to aid us and give us the extras that were so needed in the school.

Respectfully submitted,

A. RAYMOND ROGERS, JR.,

Principal.

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

To the Superintendent of Schools, the Superintending School Committee, and Citizens of Porter:

The following report I am pleased to submit for the schools of Porter.

The five point program namely, singing, playing, dancing, creating, and listening is being carried out according to progressive plans as in previous years.

The work of the sub-primary consists of rote songs, singing games, and simple folk dances. The first grade continues the work of the sub-primary, but each pupil has a book with attractive pictures of the songs being sung. They are taught that the words and music go together and at this point they begin following the words. This is called "Peter Rabbiting" at this early age.

The curriculum for the second grade continues this association of words and music and the pupils are taught to follow both words and music in a very definite way. Reading music with syllables and pitch names is begun in grade three on a smaller scale to prepare them for the work of grade four where reading is definitely the goal.

Folk dancing and rhythmic drill are included in all primary grades.

The pupils were presented in a program at Christmas time and will participate in a May Festival. Receipts realized from the Festival are placed in a fund at the bank and used for music purposes only. Victrola records and music have been purchased, and cabinets for records will be purchased for Porter Primary and Milliken buildings as soon as suitable ones can be obtained. The pianos in all the buildings have been tuned.

As most of the eighth grade pupils are singing in the Porter High School Glee Club the music period is given over to music theory and appreciation.

The Glee Club is a large group this year with an enrollment of fifty-four. This singing group is quite well balanced and reading their music very well. It is a pleasure to work with such a fine Glee Club. The mixed chorus sings the first period on Monday mornings and the girls' chorus on Wednesday after school. This chorus is doing excellent work.

The annual Pop Concert will be given in the Garner Gymnasium in April, and the group will attend the Western Maine Music Festival in Lewiston May 3rd.

To the teachers, I extend my sincere thanks for their fine co-operation, sustained interest, and the excellent results which they have made possible.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORA R. CARPENTER,

Supervisor of Music.

ANNUAL REPORT PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE, 1951

The past year shows no more co-operation and interested Health Council than exists in your town. It has been most gratifying to work with such an excellent group.

Well attended monthly meetings have been held as well as planned committee meetings. Volunteer service for scheduled health activities has willingly been supplied.

Four Child Health Conferences were held during the summer months with a total attendance of forty-four infants and pre-school children. Twenty-seven children were vaccinated against smallpox, and 18 received protection against diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus. Prior to the date conferences were held for parents of all children entering school last fall were sent a special notice urging them to either be checked by their family physician or take advantage of the conferences. This letter was prepared and sent by members of the Health Council with the full approval of the school board and the superintendent of schools.

The immunization program was again carried on in the schools and was completed in May with following number of children receiving protection:

Smallpox,	49
Diphtheria,	36
Whooping cough,	32
Tetanus,	36

In October your school physician completed physical examinations on eighty five children in selected grades with the following findings:

Inflamed ear drum,	2
Needing dental care,	23
Infected throat,	22
Poor posture,	4
Variocoele,	3
Enlarged inguinal ring,	2
Acute acne,	2
Scabies,	1
Low hemoglobin,	24
Urinalysis: Albumin,	6
Urinalysis: Sugar,	1
Elevation of temperature,	17
Recommend patch test,	2

This phase of the school health program could not have been carried on successfully without the fine co-operation shown by the physicians, parents and teachers. Nearly 100% of those children in the selected grades not examined at school were checked by their family physician. In addition, parents of all school children received letters with an explanation of the program now being carried on. It was felt that many would like to participate by checking with their family doctor.

Home visits are being made to children found at school to have a health problem. Some visits have also been made to expectant and new mothers, to children with orthopedic or heart defects and to homes where there has been tuberculosis.

The Health Council has fulfilled an important function in community health work this past year and are now planning health education programs for the coming year.

Realizing the importance of the mental and emotional growth of children as well as the physical they have planned an open meeting for February with Mr. Richard Smith, Psychiatric Social Worker, State Bureau of Health as the speaker.

I take this opportunity to extend to the town officials, the physicians, the Health Council and the school personnel my sincere appreciation for their interest and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,
 ELEANOR E. GRIFFITHS, R. N.,
 State Bureau of Health.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

To the Citizens of the Town of Porter.

I submit the following report showing the number of births, marriages, deaths and depositions of birth recorded in the year 1951:

18 births

20 marriages

22 deaths

11 depositions of birth

Number of dogs licensed, 123.

Respectfully submitted,
 JESSIE B. STACY,
 Town Clerk.

Annual Report

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For the Fiscal Year Ending

FEBRUARY 9, 1953

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TOWN OFFICERS

Town Clerk

JESSIE B. STACY

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

FRANK WEEKS

GROVER JOHNSON

L. RANDOLPH CHURCHILL

Treasurer

GORDON DAVIS

Collector

ROLAND A. STANLEY

Superintending School Committee

CLAYTON LOCKE

PAUL W. STACY

JOSEPH RIDLON

Constable

KARL C. STACY

Road Commissioner

SELECTMEN

Superintendent of Schools

LEWIS E. WEBBER

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

Oxford, ss.

State of Maine

To Karl C. Stacy, a Constable in the Town of Porter, in
said County:

Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby requested to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said Town of Porter, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall in said town on the second day of March, A. D. 1953, at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To see what sum or sums of money the town will grant and raise for the support of schools for the ensuing year.

Estimated needs are as follows:

Elementary school maintenance,	\$ 8,900.00
High school maintenance,	4,600.00
Books and supplies,	850.00
Library,	175.00
Repairs and equipment,	1,600.00
Insurance,	500.00
Bus payments,	1,309.50

\$17,994.50

Budget committee recommends \$17,994.50.

Art. 4. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to pay on the \$600.00 loan obtained for the installation of the furnace at the Primary School.

Budget committee recommends \$600.00.

Art. 5. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for improvements of the science laboratory at Porter High School. (Estimated need, \$400.00.)

Budget committee recommends \$400.00.

Art. 6. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the Kezar Falls School Lunch Program.

Budget committee recommends \$50.00.

Art. 7. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for additional classroom facilities at Porter High School.

Budget committee recommends Mr. Webber report cost.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Porter School Committee to present plans at the 1954 town meeting for the addition of a shop program at Porter High School.

No recommendation.

Art. 9. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the construction of a fire escape at the Primary School.

Budget committee recommends \$300.00.

Art. 10. To see if the town will vote to go on record as favoring the designation of the area adjoining the westerly side of the Cornish Fair Grounds as the site for an area high school.

No recommendation.

Art. 11. To see what sum, if any, the town will vote to raise and appropriate for a fund to be known as the Area High School Building Fund, said money to be set aside in a separate account under the trusteeship of the selectmen and treasurer of the Town of Porter and their successors in office.

No recommendation.

Art. 12. To see if the town will vote to rescind the vote taken at the last town meeting to sell the Porter Village School.

No recommendation.

Art. 13. To see if the town will authorize the use of the Porter Village School as a selectmen's office and grant and raise a sum of money for necessary repairs to same.

No recommendation.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for contingent expenses for the ensuing year.

Budget committee recommends \$500.00.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for town officer's bills for the ensuing year.

Budget committee recommends \$2,100.00.

Tax collector \$.01 on a dollar.

First selectman,	\$300.00
Second selectman,	250.00
Third selectman,	250.00
Treasurer,	175.00
Town clerk,	100.00

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for repairs of streets in Kezar Falls Precinct for the ensuing year.

Budget committee recommends \$600.00.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the repairs of highways and bridges outside Kezar Falls for the ensuing year.

Budget committee recommends \$2,000.00.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for State aid road construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges) under the provisions of Sections 25 and 29, Chapter 20, R. S. 1944, as amended.

Budget committee recommends \$1,066.00.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to spend \$500.00 of the unimproved road money starting at the end of the 1952 construction and continuing past the residence of Sid Libby.

So recommends.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to grant and raise the sum of \$500.00 for the repair of the road from the foot of the hill to Clayton Eastman's house.

No recommendation.

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to be used on road leading to the foot of Colcord Pond.

No recommendation.

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for repairs on town road leading from Colcord Pond Road to Schulte's place.

No recommendation.

Art. 23. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to repair the road from the Advent Chapel to the residence of William Fisher.

Budget committee recommends \$500.00 of unimproved road money.

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to grant and raise a sum of money to reopen the ditch in the area behind the Bertha Doe place, so-called, to the outlet of Spectacle Pond.

No recommendation.

Art. 25. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for snow removal for the year 1953-54.

Budget committee recommends \$3,500.00.

Art. 26. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for memorial purposes and how it shall be expended.

Budget committee recommends ~~\$50.00~~.

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Art. 27. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for public library in Kezar Falls.

Budget committee recommends \$25.00.

Art. 28. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to pay interest on temporary loans and outstanding orders.

Budget committee recommends \$500.00.

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to install a street light near the residence of Percy Wentworth in Porter Village.

So recommends.

Art. 30. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for street light services for the ensuing year.

Budget committee recommends \$490.00.

Art. 31. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the benefit of the Kezar Falls Fire Department.

Budget committee recommends \$100.00.

Art. 32. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for aid to dependent children.

Budget committee recommends \$800.00.

Art. 33. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for civil defense.

No recommendation.

Art. 34. To see whether or not the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80, Section 95, of the Revised Statutes of Maine.

Budget committee recommends \$25.00.

Art. 35. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to co-operate with the Maine Forest Service and the Federal Government in control of white pine blister rust, in accordance with Revised Statutes, Chapter 32, Section 54.

Budget committee recommends \$300.00.

Art. 36. To see if the town will raise and appropriate \$100.00 for public health nursing in Porter. Said sum to be expended by the Maine Department of Health and Welfare, Bureau of Health, for local service.

Budget committee recommends \$100.00.

Art. 37. To see if the town will grant and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to pay school physician for the ensuing year.

Budget committee recommends \$100.00.

Art. 38. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen on behalf of the town to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the town for non-payment of taxes on such terms and conditions as they may deem advisable and execute quitclaim deeds for the same.

So recommends.

Art. 39. To see if the town will vote to spend \$500.00 of the unimproved road money on the Bickford Pond Road from Henry Champion to the Herbert Jones Camp.

Art. 40. To act upon any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands this 9th day of February, 1953.

FRANK A. WEEKS, *2nd*
 GROVER JOHNSON, *1st \$500 clear*
 L. RANDOLPH CHURCHILL,
 Selectmen of Porter, Maine.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF POOR

Number of polls taxed, 273 at \$3.00.

Number of polls not taxed, 30.

Rate of taxation, \$100.00 per thousand.

Real estate, resident, value,, \$217,325.00

Real estate, non-resident, value, 61,970.00

Total,	\$279,295.00
Personal estate, resident, value,	\$28,660.00
Personal estate, non-resident,	
value,	13,235.00

Total,	41,895.00
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Grand total,	\$321,190.00
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TAXABLE LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

	No.	Av. Value	Total Value
Horses, mules and ponies,			
over 4 years old,	25	\$38.00	\$ 955.00
Steers, oxen, bulls, over 18			
months,	9	66.00	595.00
Milk cows, including heifers			
that have freshened,	100	57.00	5,715.00
Heifers, 18 months to 2			
years old,	15	38.00	575.00
Chickens, over 50 in num-			
ber,	11,025	.06	658.00
Domestic fowl, over 50 in			
number,	1,194	.50	592.00
Total,			\$9,090.00

EXEMPT LIVESTOCK AND DOMESTIC FOWL

	No.	Av. Value	Total Value
Cattle, 18 months and young- er,	88	\$26.00	\$2,295.00
Sheep,	18	8.00	140.00
Goats and kids,	11	5.00	55.00
Swine,	17	25.00	425.00
Domestic fowl,	1,046	.42	435.00
Total,			<hr/> \$3,350.00

OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY

	No.	
Stock in trade,		\$13,455.00
Portable mills,	3	650.00
Logs, M board feet,	95M	540.00
Lumber, M board feet,	40M	600.00
Gas pumps and attachments,	24	2,465.00
Musical instruments,	79	3,775.00
Radios,	263	2,030.00
Tractors,	7	225.00
Machinery and equipment,		850.00
Other property,		8,215.00
Taxable livestock and poultry,		9,090.00
Total,		<hr/> \$41,895.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Commitment,	\$32,938.00
Supplemental,	263.50
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Total charged to collector,	\$33,201.50
Credits to collector:	
Cash to treasurer,	\$32,601.20
Discounts,	286.80
Abatements,	192.50
Uncollected,	101.00
Lien,	20.00
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	\$33,201.50

TAX LIEN, 1952

Philip A. Robertson,	\$20.00
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UNCOLLECTED, 1952

Total uncollected for 1952,	\$101.00
Paid after books were closed,	\$23.00
Harry Waddell,	78.00
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	\$101.00

ABATEMENTS, 1952

Willard Champion, overtaxed real estate,	\$40.00
Rexford Adams, overtaxed real estate,	6.00
James Wiggins, Heirs, overtaxed real estate,	18.00
Lester Smith, overtaxed personal,	1.00
Arthur Davis, poll tax, over 70 years,	3.00
William Day, poll tax, not 21,	3.00
Theodore Finnegan, poll tax, paid in Berwick,	3.00
James Fobes, poll tax, address unknown,	3.00

James Fobes, personal, address unknown,	.50	
Arthur Gilman, poll tax, over 70 years,	3.00	
Frederick Chapman, poll tax, veteran, exempt,	3.00	
Wilbur Lewis, poll tax, paid in Limington,	3.00	
Byron Lord, poll tax, over 70 years,	3.00	
Neil W. McGowen, poll tax, paid in Orono,	3.00	
Fred Merrifield,	5.00	
Ronald Norton, poll tax, in service,	3.00	
Archie Parker, poll tax, address unknown,	3.00	
William Sargent, poll tax, over 70 years,	3.00	
George Tewksbury, poll tax, over 70 years,	3.00	
Lewis Webber, poll tax, paid in Saco,	3.00	
George Fields, poll tax, paid in Conway,	3.00	
George Fields, personal,	1.00	
Curtis L. Stanley, sold property before 1952 inventory,	15.00	
Roger Dunn, sold property,	7.50	
Amos Lawler, real estate,	1.50	
Charles Mains, real estate,	3.00	
Spencer Mann, real estate,	6.00	
Dana Caswell, real estate,	40.00	
Bruce Emmons, poll tax, in service,	3.00	
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		\$192.50

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1952

Schools,	\$16,439.00
Salary for 5th teacher at Porter High School,	1,400.00
Primary school furnace,	500.00

High school band,	200.00	
Contingent,	500.00	
Town officers' bills,	1,500.00	
Repairs of streets in Kezar Falls Precinct,	600.00	
Highways and bridges outside Ke- zar Falls,	1,500.00	
State aid road,	1,066.00	
Snow removal,	3,500.00	
Memorial purposes,	50.00	
Public library,	25.00	
Interest on temporary loans,	500.00	
Street lights,	490.00	
Fire department,	100.00	
Aid to dependent children,	1,000.00	
Civil defense,	100.00	
Advertising Maine,	25.00	
White pine blister,	300.00	
Health nurse,	100.00	
School physician,	100.00	
Heating gymnasium,	200.00	
County tax,	1,393.56	
Overlay,	1,349.44	
	<hr/>	\$32,938.00
Supplemental		470.00
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		\$33,408.00

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Appropriation,		\$1,500.00
Tax collector, Albert C. Pease,	\$ 2.53	
Tax collector, Roland Stanley,	260.83	
Treasurer, Gordon Davis,	125.00	
Town clerk, Jessie B. Stacy,	50.00	
Superintendent of schools, Lewis E. Webber,	411.45	
Auditor, L. Everett Outhouse,	158.85	
Selectman, Frank Weeks,	150.00	

Selectman, Grover Johnson,	125.00	
Selectman, L. Randolph Churchill,	125.00	
Ballot clerk, Mabel Black,	18.00	
Ballot clerk, Lydia Greenan,	18.00	
Ballot clerk, Helen Merrifield,	18.00	
Ballot clerk, Edna Hartford,	6.00	
Ballot clerk, Louise Towle,	12.00	
Unexpended,	19.34	
Total,	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00

CONTINGENT EXPENSES

Appropriation,	\$500.00
Tax lien costs,	23.11
Interest on town bonds,	62.50
Dog licenses refund,	16.49
State of Maine, bear bounty,	15.00
Dr. Marsten, refund,	25.00
Bank stock tax,	330.33
State of Maine, fire reimbursement,	22.35

Total,	\$994.78
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Chester Small, printing,	\$201.00
Lois Pease, postage and telephone,	1.90
Percy Peer, constable,	11.90
Olive Goldthwaite,	8.00
Marks Printing House, supplies,	36.80
Stanley Burying Grounds,	1.00
Karl Stacy, police, posting war- rants, serving papers,	215.35
Dr. Paul C. Marston, school clinic,	88.00
Kezar Falls National Bank, box rent,	4.80
Sidney Barchelder, officers' bonds,	33.50
Madeline E. Libby, clerk to select- man,	100.00
Manuel Stacy, moving town safe,	12.00
Gordon Davis, postage,	12.76

Cornish Rent, superintendent's office,	39.00	
Branham Printing Co., truck guide,	2.05	
L. Randolph Churchill, travel,	40.00	
Madeline E. Libby, stamps,	3.00	
Joe Wigon, supplies,	1.00	
William Day, bear,	15.00	
John Greenan, truant officer,	63.00	
Forest fire, payroll,	44.69	
Ridlon Bros., supplies,	.62	
U. S. Auto Truck Guide,	7.00	
Meserves Express,	.55	
Grover Johnson, ballots,	2.11	
Norman Eastman, ballots,	2.20	
Roland Stanley, postage and supplies,	25.50	
Jessie Stacy, postage and recording,	19.85	
Unexpended,	2.20	
Total,	\$994.78	\$994.78

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Appropriation,	\$100.00
Paid Department of Health and Welfare,	\$100.00

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Appropriation,	\$100.00
Paid Dr. Paul C. Marston,	\$100.00

KEZAR FALLS FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation,	\$100.00	
Paid Kezar Falls Fire Department,	\$100.00	
Kezar Falls, fires,	42.40	
Overexpended,		42.40
Total,	\$142.40	\$142.40

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation,	\$490.00
Paid Cornish & Kezar Falls Light and Power,	\$490.00

WINTER ROADS

Appropriation,		\$3,500.00
Received from State,		1,142.50
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Total,		\$4,642.50
Payroll,	\$2,675.13	
Sand pile,	40.00	
Salt,	218.00	
Lawrence Taylor, plowing,	3,100.00	
Lawrence Taylor, hauling salt,	25.00	
Oxerexpended,		1,415.63
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Total,	\$6,058.13	\$6,058.13

UNIMPROVED ROADS

Received from State,		\$1,651.79
Payroll,	\$1,588.45	
Culverts,	74.98	
Gravel,	148.50	
Overexpended,		160.14
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Total,	\$1,811.93	\$1,811.93

STREETS IN KEZAR FALLS PRECINCT

Appropriation,	\$600.00
Paid Kezar Falls Village Corp.,	\$600.00

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES OUTSIDE OF KEZAR FALLS PRECINCT

Appropriation,		\$1,500.00
Payroll,	\$1,615.78	
Culverts,	51.10	
Norton Hardware Co., supplies,	13.25	
Oxford Land & Lumber Co., plank,	74.88	
Gravel,	15.60	
Overexpended,		270.61
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Total,	\$1,770.61	\$1,770.61

SPECIAL RESOLVE

Received from State,		\$400.00
Payroll,	\$390.95	
Culvert,	40.75	
Gravel,	40.80	
Overexpended,		72.50
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Total,	\$472.50	\$472.50

STATE AID ROAD

Appropriation,		\$1,066.00
Received from State,		2,085.43
Kezar Falls National Bank,		4,797.00
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Total,		\$7,948.43
Payroll,	\$6,553.97	
New England Metal Culvert,	2.26	
Town of Hiram, culverts,	159.90	
Norton Hardware Co., supplies,	14.28	
F. P. Goodwin, supplies,	2.29	
Gravel,	740.10	
Unexpended,	475.63	
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Total,	\$7,948.43	\$7,948.43

RESIDENT RELIEF

Randall Libby fund,		\$ 20.00
Excise taxes,		2,834.74
Aid to dependent children,		1,000.00
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Total,		\$3,854.74
Aid to dependent children,	\$ 760.14	
Jennie Chellis,	1,170.00	
Osgood Pendexter,	294.27	
Walter Blair,	318.41	
Lawrence Woodman,	172.48	
Edwin Thurston,	220.00	

Clayton Eastman,	15.00	
Mrs. Robert Day,	22.64	
Kenwood Frost,	55.82	
Theresa Ridlon,	19.70	
Floyd Day,	340.01	
Transients,	22.50	
Veteran No. 1,	8.00	
Veteran No. 2,	42.02	
Veteran No. 3,	84.23	
Veteran No. 4,	36.52	
Unexpended,	273.00	
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Total,	\$3,854.74	\$3,854.74

UNSETTLED RELIEF

Received from Richard Holbrook,		\$ 23.00
Richard Holbrook,	\$ 68.00	
Stanley Youtsey,	150.84	
Overexpended,		195.84
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Total,	\$218.84	\$218.84

NON-RESIDENT RELIEF

Received from Town of Sweden,		\$108.00
Richard Berry,		\$108.00

STATE RELIEF

Received from State of Maine,		\$705.95
Fred Sawyer,	\$215.80	
Bertha Farris,	208.50	
Herbert Frost,	200.68	
William Cilley,	173.75	
Due from State,		92.78
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Total,	\$798.73	\$798.73

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Appropriation,		\$25.00
Paid Kezar Falls Public Library,		\$25.00

MEMORIAL PURPOSES

Appropriation,		\$50.00
Paid West Day Post, No. 123,		\$50.00

ADVERTISING MAINE

Appropriation,		\$25.00
Paid State of Maine Publicity Bureau,		\$25.00

WHITE PINE BLISTER

Appropriation,		\$300.00
Received from State,		299.16

Total,		<hr/> \$599.16
Payroll,	\$598.32	
Unexpended,	.84	
Total,	<hr/> \$599.16	<hr/> \$599.16

CIVIL DEFENSE

Appropriation,		\$100.00
Civil defense expenses,	\$ 17.70	
Unexpended,	82.30	
Total,	<hr/> \$100.00	<hr/> \$100.00

TEMPORARY LOANS

Kezar Falls National Bank,		\$10,000.00
Paid Kezar Falls National Bank,		\$10,000.00

**INTEREST ON TEMPORARY LOANS AND
DEMAND NOTES**

Appropriation,		\$500.00
Interest paid,	\$372.64	
Unexpended,	127.36	
Total,	<hr/> \$500.00	<hr/> \$500.00

COUNTY TAX

Paid county treasurer,		\$1,393.56
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EXCISE TAXES

Collected,		\$3,268.60
Paid Kezar Falls Village Corp.,	\$ 326.86	
Albert Pease, collector,	64.00	
Roland Stanley, collector,	43.00	
Transferred to resident relief,	2,834.74	
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Total,	\$3,268.60	\$3,268.60

FRANK A. WEEKS,

GROVER JOHNSON,

L. RANDOLPH CHURCHILL,

Selectmen, Assessors, and

Overseers of the Poor.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

February 14, 1953.

Board of Selectmen,
Town of Porter,
Porter, Maine.
Gentlemen:

In accordance with your request, we have audited the records of the Town of Porter, for the municipal year ended February 9, 1953.

The examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and included all procedures which we considered necessary. Insofar as could be determined, within the scope of the examination, the financial affairs of the town appear to have been administered in a proper manner.

The results of the audit are disclosed in the exhibits and schedules embodied in this report, and fairly present the financial position of the Town of Porter, and the results of its operations for the municipal year ended February 9, 1953.

Respectfully submitted,

L. EVERETT OUTHOUSE.

BALANCE SHEETS COMPARED

Years Ended

Assets

	Feb. 9, 1952	Feb. 9, 1953
Cash,	\$ 6,084.79	\$ 7,241.82
Tax liens,	2,521.19	2,071.19
Tax deeds,	158.53	158.53
Uncollected taxes,	144.15	135.25
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Total assets,	\$ 8,908.66	\$ 9,606.79
Trust funds invested,	63,984.32	63,984.32
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Total assets and trust funds invested,	\$72,892.98	\$73,591.11

Liabilities

Accounts payable,	\$ 360.20	
Notes payable,	5,173.50	\$ 8,781.50
Reserves:		
Tax liens,	176.39	176.39
Tax deeds,	116.31	116.31
Appropriation balances forward,	5,278.49	6,282.64
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Total liabilities,	\$11,104.89	\$15,356.84
Net town debt,	2,196.23	5,750.05
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Total liabilities and town debt,	\$ 8,908.66	\$ 9,606.79
Trust funds principal,	63,984.32	63,984.32
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Total liabilities, net town debt and trust funds principal,	\$72,892.98	\$73,591.11

ANALYSIS OF TOWN DEBT**Year Ended February 9, 1953**

Net deficit, February 9, 1952,	\$2,196.23
Charges to debt:	
New State aid construction note,	4,797.00
New school furnace note,	600.00
Current year appropriations overdrawn,	306.02
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Total,	\$7,899.25
Credits to debt:	
Part payments on school bus notes,	\$1,789.00
Accounts payable at February 9, 1952 cancelled,	360.00
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Total credits to debt,	2,149.20
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Net deficit, February 9, 1953,	\$5,750.05

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand, February 10, 1952, \$ 6,084.79

Receipts

Taxes, 1952,	\$32,604.20	
Taxes, 1951,	588.80	
Poll taxes, 1951,	9.00	
Taxes, 1947,	11.54	
Lien notice and costs,	10.25	
Excise tax,	4,044.43	
		37,268.22

Received from State:

Education:

Equalization,	\$13,053.00	
Assistance granted		
teachers,	100.00	
Snow removal,	1,142.50	
Fire reimbursement,	22.35	
Bank stock tax,	330.33	
Town road improvement,	1,651.79	
Special resolve,	400.00	
White pine blister,	299.16	
Dog tax refund,	16.49	
Highway State aid,	2,085.43	
Bear bounty,	15.00	
Health and welfare,	705.95	
		19,822.00

Tuition:

Roger Jordan,	\$ 10.00	
Bertha Moody,	50.00	
Town of Freedom,	62.84	
Town of Parsonsfield,	3,769.27	
Town of Hiram,	2,522.22	
Town of Effingham,	216.50	
Town of Sweden,	95.00	
Mabel McDade,	20.00	
		6,745.83

Interest received:

Porter Elijah Fox fund,	\$831.00	
Parsonsfield Elijah Fox fund,	725.20	
Interest on U. S. savings bonds,	62.50	
Randall Libby fund,	20.00	
Ministerial school fund,	42.50	
George W. Towle fund,	925.00	
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Received Town of Sweden,	108.00
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Temporary loans:

Kezar Falls National Bank,	\$5,000.00	
Kezar Falls National Bank,	5,000.00	
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Demand notes:

Kezar Falls National Bank,	\$4,797.00	
Kezar Falls National Bank,	600.00	
	<hr/>	5,397.00

Miscellaneous:

Ellsworth Lebroke,	\$20.00	
Moore-Cottrell, refund,	8.98	
Porter High, toll calls,	35.20	
Wilcox & Follett, old books,	27.16	
Town of Baldwin,	4.38	
Dr. Marston, refund,	25.00	
Richard Holbrook,	23.00	
Ellsworth Lebroke, mimeograph,	1.50	
Ann MacDonald, rent,	5.00	
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Total receipts,	\$88,182.26
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Paid out according to selectmen's warrants,	80,940.44
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Cash balance as of February 9, 1953,	\$7,241.82
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PORTER ELIJAH FOX TRUST FUND**Capital Assets**

On hand January 20, 1953:

Jacksonville Gas Corps.,	\$1,000.00	
U. S. treasury bond,	500.00	
Southern Pacific Co.,	2,000.00	
Maine Central Railroad,	2,000.00	
Green Mountain Power Co.,	2,000.00	
Buffalo-Niagara Electric Corporation,	2,000.00	
18 shares Central Maine Power Co., 3½% pref.,	1,557.00	
Balance in Kezar Falls National Bank,	311.47	
	<hr/>	\$11,368.47

PORTER ELIJAH FOX TRUST FUND**1952**

Received interest:

Southern Pacific Co.,	\$90.00	
Buffalo-Niagara Electric Corporation,	55.00	
Jacksonville Gas Corporation,	40.00	
Green Mountain Power Co.,	75.00	
Maine Central Railroad,	80.00	
U. S. treasury bond,	12.50	

Received dividend:

Central Maine Power Co.,	63.00	
	<hr/>	\$415.50

Paid to Gordon Davis, treasurer,

Town of Porter,	\$415.50
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SIDNEY R. BATCHELDER,

Trustee of Trust Funds.

PARSONSFIELD ELIJAH FOX TRUST FUND**1952**

On hand January 20, 1953:

Maine Central Railroad,	\$1,000.00
Penn. Power & Light Co.,	2,000.00

Southern Pacific Co.,	1,000.00
Central Maine Power Co.,	2,000.00
Green Mountain Power Co.,	4,000.00
Balance in Kezar Falls National Bank,	255.60
	<hr/> \$10,255.60

PARSONSFIELD ELIJAH FOX TRUST FUND
1952

Received interest:

Maine Central Railroad,	\$ 40.00
Penn. Power & Light Co.,	60.00
Southern Pacific Co.,	45.00
Green Mountain Power Co.,	150.00

Received dividend:

Central Maine Power Co.,	70.00
	<hr/> \$365.00

Paid to Kezar Falls National Bank, box rent,	\$ 4.80
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Paid to Gordon Davis, treasurer, Town of Porter,	360.20
	<hr/> \$365.00

SIDNEY R. BATCHELDER,
Trustee of Trust Funds.

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE GEORGE W.
TOWLE SCHOOL FUND**

February 2, 1953

Interest Account

Received interest on United States Savings Bonds, Series G,	\$925.00
Paid to the treasurer of the Town of Porter,	\$925.00

Principal Account—Trust Funds

\$37,000.00 United States Savings Bonds, Series G,
2½% due July 1, 1958.

FRANK P. GOODWIN,
PAUL W. STACY,
J. MALCOLM STANLEY,
Trustees.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Fiscal Year Ending February 7, 1953

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens
of the Town of Porter:

I am pleased to submit my third annual report as your superintendent of schools and discuss for you various items relating to the school program in this community.

At the conclusion of this report you will find the financial statement for the past year and the reports of the high school principal and the supervisor of music.

FACULTY

There are several changes in the teaching staff this year—two in the high school, one in grade eight, and one in Milliken.

Mr. Robert Hylander of Brooksville, Maine, was employed for the science department and to coach boys' athletics. Mr. Hylander is a graduate of the University of Maine where he majored in the sciences.

Miss Joyce Smith of Belfast, Maine, joined the faculty as the fifth teacher, a move made necessary by increasing enrollments. Miss Smith is also a graduate of the University of Maine where she was a history major and a French minor.

Mr. Harry Sanborn of Baldwin replaced Mr. Frederick Noone in the eighth grade room. Mr. Sanborn has had several years of teaching experience in nearby towns and took his professional training at the University of Maine and Gorham State Teachers College.

Mr. Wilfred Crowley of Center Ossipee, New Hampshire, is teacher of grade seven in the Milliken School, the position formerly held by Mrs. Alice Williams, and for a short time last fall by Mrs. Nina Stitson. Mr. Crowley is a graduate of St. Anselm's College.

This is the first year of teaching for Mr. Hylander, Miss Smith and Mr. Crowley.

The complete directory of teachers is as follows:

PORTER PRIMARY SCHOOL

Name	Assignment
Mrs. Evelyn Stacy,	Sub-primary
Mrs. Irene Welch,	Grade 1
Mrs. Verna Wentworth, Principal,	Grade 2
Mrs. Ruth Merrifield,	Grade 3

MILLIKEN SCHOOL

Mrs. Evelyn Day,	Grade 4
Mrs. Edith Cartland, Principal,	Grade 5
Mrs. Bertha Moody,	Grade 6
Mr. Wilfred Crowley,	Grade 7

PORTER HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Harry Sanborn,	Grade 8
Mr. Robert Hylander,	Science, Mathematics, Athletics
Mr. Ellsworth Lebroke,	Business, Secretarial
Mrs. Mabel McDade,	English, Journalism, Librarian
Mr. Raymond Rogers, Principal,	Mathematics, Social Sciences, Athletics
Miss Joyce Smith,	Social Studies, French

MUSIC

Mrs. Flora Carpenter,	Elementary and High School
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ENROLLMENTS

When examining the enrollment figures it should be borne in mind that all data is given as of December the first for the years indicated. By adhering to such a policy it is possible to provide a common basis for comparisons each year. This is mentioned in particular because this report shows a high school registration of 102, or eight more than the number indicated in the principal's report. Mr. Rogers has used data as of January of this year.

The December survey of pupil population shows a reversal of last year's trend in the elementary grades. There has been a decrease of thirty from the previous year and fifteen from two years ago. However, the upward trend on the high school level has continued.

The figures more or less speak for themselves, therefore, five charts are presented to portray the situation.

I. KEZAR FALLS ELEMENTARY ENROLLMENTS

	S.P.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Totals
Parsonsfield,	9	8	7	10	5	3	4	7	3	56
Porter,	23	19	20	19	26	22	14	18	25	186
52-53,	32	27	27	29	31	25	18	25	28	242
51-52,	31	27	37	34	32	21	27	33	30	272
50-51,	29	34	34	30	22	26	32	28	22	257

II. ELEMENTARY PUPILS FROM PORTER

Year	S.P.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Totals
52-53,	23	19	20	19	26	22	14	18	25	186
51-52,	20	20	25	26	24	15	19	28	24	201

III. HIGH SCHOOL ENROLLMENTS (By Grades)

Year	9	10	11	12	Totals
52-53,	31	29	23	19	102
51-52,	29	25	20	10	84
50-51,	29	23	11	10	73

IV. HIGH SCHOOL ENROLLMENTS (By Towns)

	50-51	51-52	52-53
Effingham, N. H.,	2	1	2
Freedom, N. H.,	1	0	0
Hiram,	14	17	14
Parsonsfield,	17	17	26
Porter,	39	49	59
Sweden,	0	0	1
	73	84	102

V. TUITION STUDENTS FROM PORTER

	50-51	51-52	52-53
Fryeburg Academy,	2	1	1

REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS

The regular budget for the ensuing year makes provision for enclosing the two furnaces in fire-resistant rooms in accordance with specifications of the State Insurance Commissioner, window sash repairs, the purchase of two more typewriters, and an allowance for twenty seating units or other furniture as needed, plus \$400.00 for routine and miscellaneous items.

There are two situations at the high school of definitely major proportions that need attention. One pertains to a correction of the heating inadequacies and the other concerns additional classroom facilities. No improvements to the heating plant are anticipated this coming year, but it is a problem that will have to be faced in the near future.

It is proposed, however, to try to do something about providing for another large classroom in order to have accommodations for several large groups to meet simultaneously. The present plan calls for making the necessary changes in the downstairs room. There will be a special article in the town warrant relative to this project.

The high school laboratory is in need of some improvements in order to increase the efficiency of that department. It is estimated that \$400.00 will provide for some of the more pressing problems. This also appears in the town warrant as a special article.

At the Primary School, a steel fire escape should be constructed on the northeasterly side of the building. Although this is in compliance with specifications from the office of the Insurance Commissioner, it seems reasonable to believe that this move will have the wholehearted support of the voters. Certainly it will greatly improve the safety factor as far as the children are concerned.

Assurance has been received that the fire escape can be installed at a cost not to exceed \$300.00.

REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

For about a year and a half a small group from the towns of Cornish, Parsonsfield and Porter has been holding meetings to discuss the problems of a joint high school. (Note: Such a school is referred to by a variety of names including Area, Community, District, Centralized, Consolidated, Union, and Regional. Substantially, they mean the same thing.)

Until very recently, there has been little attempt to publicize either the sessions of the committee when scheduled, or the results of the conferences, because it was believed that something quite definite and feasible should be developed before presenting a program to the citizens of the three towns.

Many questions arise in connection with a project of this nature, and the answers are sometimes slow in developing. It is not the purpose of this report to even attempt to furnish the answers, but rather to call the attention of all citizens to the fact that a discussion group is devoting time and effort to try to determine the high school needs of this area and the logical solution to the problems arising therefrom.

Consequently, attempts are being made to find answers to such questions as the following: How large a school plant is necessary to meet the present needs of the three-town community? How much would it cost? How much would each town's share be? Would the amount each town had to raise be within its borrowing capacity? How would it be financed? Over how long a period of time should the building be financed? What would be the effect on the tax rate in each town? What formula should be used to determine each town's share of operation and maintenance after construction? What are the possibilities and probabilities of expanding the school facilities in the future? In addition to the educational benefits, what community benefits would result? Where shall it be built?

The aforementioned problems are fundamental. Suggested answers and specific proposals must come from the planning committee itself, but the final answers, as all committee members fully realize, rest with all the citizens of all the towns involved.

BUDGET

The basic budget indicates an expenditure of \$41,-841.50 which represents an increase of approximately \$1,640.00 more than last year. The major factor in this increase is the fact that the salary of the fifth teacher at the high school will be reflected for a full year for the first time.

However, the appropriation request to meet said expenditures shows a decrease of approximately \$800.00. This apparent discrepancy is due primarily to the sizable unexpended balances to be carried over from the fiscal year just ended.

It should be emphasized that the appropriation for the basic budget does not include any of the items listed under special articles in the town warrant, namely: \$600.00 payment due on the primary school furnace; \$400.00 for high school laboratory; \$50.00 for the school lunch program; and \$300.00 for the fire escape. These items total \$1,350.00, which if voted, would make the overall appropriation \$600.00 more than last year but still less than the appropriation of three years ago. These figures disregard whatever action is taken by the town relative to additional classroom facilities at Porter High School.

For your convenience comparative appropriations are presented in the table that follows.

APPROPRIATIONS

Description	(Estimate)			
	50-51	51-52	52-53	53-54
Elementary maintenance,	\$ 9,541.00	\$10,215.00	\$ 8,700.00	\$ 8,900.00
High school maintenance,	6,800.00	3,800.00	4,400.00	4,600.00
Books and supplies,	700.00	700.00	700.00	850.00
Laboratory,	75.00	75.00	100.00	None
Library,	75.00	75.00	150.00	175.00
Repairs and equipment,	1,100.00	2,000.00	2,300.00	1,600.00
Insurance,	In above	In above	600.00	500.00
Bus payments,	1,918.00	1,374.00	1,789.00	1,309.50
Totals,	\$20,209.00	\$18,239.00	\$18,739.00	\$17,934.50

In conclusion, in behalf of all personnel I wish to express thanks and appreciation to all who have befriended and supported the school program during the past year. Your continued efforts for the betterment of educational opportunities are earnestly solicited.

Most sincerely,

LEWIS E. WEBBER,
Superintendent.

FINANCIAL REPORT

PORTER SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Fiscal Year Ending February 7, 1953

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MAINTENANCE

Receipts

Unexpended last year,	\$1,059.51
1952 appropriation,	8,700.00
1952 State subsidy,	9,753.00
Ministerial school fund,	42.50
Roger Jordan, tuition,	10.00
Bertha Moody, tuition,	50.00

Mabel McDade, tuition,	20.00	
Grade eight, bus trip,	20.00	
Town of Baldwin, refund,	4.38	
		<hr/> \$19,659.39

Expenses

Instruction,	\$12,916.50	
Fuel,	457.00	
Conveyance,	3,999.96	
Janitor,	758.57	
Utilities,	192.43	
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	\$18,324.46	
Unexpended this year,	1,334.93	
		<hr/> \$19,659.39

CONTINGENT FUND

Back pay due teachers,	\$548.89	
Retirement funds payable,	107.48	
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	\$656.37	
Net balance,	678.56	
		<hr/> \$1,334.93

HIGH SCHOOL MAINTENANCE**Receipts**

Unexpended last year,	\$2,835.09	
1952 appropriation,	2,600.00	
Appropriation, fifth teacher,	1,400.00	
1952 State subsidy,	2,900.00	
Town of Parsonsfield, tuition,	3,769.27	
Town of Hiram, tuition,	2,522.22	
Effingham, N. H., tuition,	216.50	
Freedom, N. H., tuition,	62.84	
Town of Sweden, tuition,	95.00	
High School A. A., tolls,	35.20	
Professional credit subsidy,	100.00	
Net income from trust funds,	1,392.35	
		<hr/> \$17,928.47

Expenses

Instruction,	\$12,508.94
Fuel,	1,266.35
Janitor,	911.88
Utilities,	307.12
Tuition, Fryeburg Academy,	238.02
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	\$15,232.31
Unexpended this year,	2,696.16
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	\$17,928.47

CONTINGENT FUND

Back pay due teachers,	\$ 649.94
Retirement funds payable,	101.58
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	\$ 751.52
Net balance,	1,944.64
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	\$2,696.16

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES**Receipts**

Unexpended last year,	\$ 438.81
1952 appropriation,	700.00
1952 State subsidy,	400.00
Moore-Cottrell Agency, refund,	8.98
Wilcox & Follett Co., refund,	27.16
Ellsworth Lebroke, mimeographing,	1.50
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	\$1,576.45

Expenses

For elementary grades,	\$ 617.69
For high school,	817.19
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	\$1,434.88
Unexpended this year,	141.57
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	\$1,576.45

HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY**Receipts**

Unexpended last year,	\$ 70.55	
1952 appropriation,	150.00	
	<hr/>	\$220.55

Expenses

Total paid,	\$185.99	
Unexpended this year,	34.56	
	<hr/>	\$220.55

HIGH SCHOOL LABORATORY**Receipts**

Unexpended last year,	\$174.26	
1952 appropriation,	100.00	
	<hr/>	\$274.26

Expenses

Total paid,	\$ 73.92	
Unexpended this year,	200.34	
	<hr/>	\$274.26

REPAIRS AND EQUIPMENT**Receipts**

Unexpended last year,	\$ 68.09	
1952 appropriation,	1,800.00	
Appropriation for furnace,	500.00	
Ann MacDonald, rent,	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,373.09

Expenses

Repairs,	\$ 950.78	
Equipment,	805.59	
Primary school furnace,	500.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,256.37
Unexpended this year,	116.72	
	<hr/>	\$2,373.09

SCHOOL BUS ACCOUNT**Receipts**

1952 appropriation,	\$1,789.00	
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Expenses

Payment on note No. 1,	\$959.00	
(Balance due, \$479.50.)		
Payment on note No. 2,	830.00	
(Balance due, \$2,905.00.)		
	<hr/>	\$1,789.00

ADULT EVENING SCHOOL**Receipts**

Unexpended last year,	\$73.00	
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Expenses

Ellsworth Lebroke, instructor,	\$30.00	
Supplies,	3.00	
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	\$33.00	
Unexpended this year,	40.00	
	<hr/>	\$73.00

SCHOOL BAND ACCOUNT**Receipts**

1952 appropriation,	\$200.00	
	<hr/>	\$200.00

Expenses

Mr. Zumstein, instructor,	\$200.00	
	<hr/>	\$200.00

GYMNASIUM FUEL ACCOUNT**Receipts**

1952 appropriation,	\$200.00	
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Expenses

A. R. Wright Co.,	\$ 51.40	
Clark Coal & Lumber Co.,	132.00	
Seth Clemons,	16.60	
	<hr/>	\$200.00

INSURANCE**Receipts**

1952 appropriation,	\$600.00	
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Expenses

Paid,	\$503.64	
Unexpended this year,	96.36	
	<hr/>	\$600.00

SPECIAL ACCOUNT — PRIMARY SCHOOL**Receipts**

Authorized by borrowing,	\$600.00	
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Expenses

James Howe,	\$600.00	
	<hr/>	\$600.00

STATEMENT OF TRUST FUNDS**Receipts**

Porter Elijah Fox Fund, 51-52,	\$415.50	
Parsonsfield Elijah Fox Fund, 51-52,	365.00	
George W. Towle Fund, 52-53,	925.00	
Porter Elijah Fox Fund, 52-53,	415.50	
Parsonsfield Elijah Fox Fund, 52-53,	360.20	
	<hr/>	\$2,481.20

Expenses

Paid to Town of Parsonsfield:		
Parsonsfield Elijah Fox Fund,		
51-52,	\$ 365.00	
Parsonsfield Elijah Fox Fund,		
52-53,	360.20	
Share of G. W. Towle Fund,		
51-52,	200.42	
Share of G. W. Towle Fund,		
52-53,	163.23	
Credited to Porter H. S. maintenance account,	1,392.35	
	<hr/>	\$2,481.20

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL OF THE HIGH SCHOOL

To the Superintending School Committee and the Citizens of the Town of Porter:

I submit to you my second annual report as principal of your high school.

Porter High School started September 2, 1952, with an enrollment of 104, as of January 30 the enrollment had dropped to 94. The breakdown of this number is as follows:

Class	Boys	Girls	Total
Seniors,	8	10	18
Juniors,	11	11	22
Sophomores,	13	14	27
Freshmen,	12	15	27
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	44	50	94

Students by towns are as follows:

Porter,	56
Parsonsfield,	24
Effingham, N. H.,	2
Hiram,	12
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Total,	94

Since last town meeting a number of changes have been made in the school and the faculty. Mr. Theodore J. Finnegan was recalled into the Air Corps as an instructor in Officer's Candidate School. Replacing him this year in the Social Studies is Miss Joyce Smith of Belfast. Miss Smith is a graduate of the University of Maine and teaches the following subjects: World History, United States History, Civics, Consumer Economics, French I, and French III.

Mr. Robert J. Hylander of Brooksville was also added to the faculty to strengthen the Science Department. He graduated from the University of Maine and teaches the following subjects this year: Physics, Biology, General Science, General Mathematics, and Algebra II. Mr. Hylander is also boys' coach.

Mr. Ellsworth A. Lebroke continues for a second year teaching commercial subjects and also his popular adult evening class. Mrs. Edward L. McDade is teaching English and the new Journalism Class this year.

Besides the duties of principal, I teach Orientation, Business Arithmetic, and Psychology.

The school this year now has a large library capable of seating 24 students besides the teacher and the student librarian. Mrs. McDade is our librarian and is creatively building up the library facilities. She has a crew of trained student librarians who have been doing regular library duties. The library has been extremely popular and good books may be checked out at any time.

The School Board approved of expanding the guidance program last year, and as a start in our guidance program, the school adopted the Differential Aptitude Testing Program and other supplementary interest and personality tests. The school is concerned with developing each individual and the guidance and testing program helps us understand each student better and therefore help him more.

Mrs. Flora Carpenter continues to have a class period during school time this year and has organized a new special glee club. This glee club is doing work on a more advanced level. Mr. Charles Zumstein also has the band class during school hours and by so doing we find that there is a better class attendance.

Generally speaking, Porter has reached an awkward stage in enrollment, with approximately 100 students, where it is difficult to keep individual class size below 25 and yet the addition of another teacher which would

solve the problem would be quite an expensive proposition as far as per pupil cost is concerned. Originally we felt that Porter High School would have approximately 120 pupils in the year 1953-54, but now do not, because of the large number of drop-outs (notice the large number of drop-outs this year). This is due to the limited number of courses we are able to offer. Some students find it too difficult to maintain a solid program of academic subjects and therefore become disinterested and leave school.

Another major problem is the building itself. Listed below are the things that need the most attention in the order of their importance:

1. Heating and Ventilation.

It is extremely difficult to maintain temperatures within 10 degrees in various rooms of the school. In order to keep the temperature somewhat stable, radiators must be adjusted hourly. On windy days the commercial room is too cold to use and classes must be held in other rooms. Windows and sashes could be tightened. Insulation and a new boiler system with enough capacity to heat the school is needed. Many of the smaller rooms lack a sufficient oxygen supply and get very stuffy within a short time. There are ventilation ducts built in the school which could be opened to remedy this.

2. Space.

Next year many of the class sizes will be nearer 30 or more. This being the case, it would be necessary to have one additional classroom that will seat at least 35 pupils.

3. Laboratory Facilities.

The following inadequacies have been found in the room provided for the laboratory sciences:

- A. Insufficient and poorly designed storage space.
- B. Lack of sufficient number of chalkboard and bulletin board space.

- C. Only one laboratory table which is poorly placed and not enough laboratory tables and equipment to give each student an opportunity to work individual experiments and demonstrations.

4. Lights and Sound.

In the high school building the sound echoes and carries from room to room. Sound proofing could be added to floors. The desired lighting for schools is 30-foot candles of light on the desk tops with a minimum of 20-foot candles on the desk tops. On dark days very few of the classrooms meet this minimum standard.

5. Auditorium Space.

The workings of the school have been hampered because there is no room large enough to hold the entire student body at one time. During the past two years this has been a hardship. The gymnasium could be used if there was a stage and a sufficient number of chairs. Still, you cannot show movies in the gym.

6. Gymnasium.

The Athletic Association continues to pay all but \$200.00 of the heating and janitorial work at the gym. The approximate cost of heating the gym and janitorial work is from \$400.00 to \$450.00 per year. Cost of equipment has gone up and because we are scheduling fewer games there is less income with which to pay these bills. The gym is now available for use in all school activities. In most communities the expenditures are paid by the town and a subsidy is received from the State.

7. Audiovisual Aids.

Porter does own a movie camera and now has received the gift of a 3 speed phonograph, yet is lacking in the very useful tool of a film strip projector. It would be wise to start our own film strip library.

I realize that all these deficiencies probably could not be remedied this year, but plans should be made for them in the next few years. I have found this past year has been a very stimulating one and would like to point with pride to a number of extra-curricular activities, including the Outlook staff which produced such a fine yearbook last year and to the Journalism Class and Club for the exceptionally fine Porter Piper.

On behalf of the faculty and classes and clubs of this high school, I wish to thank again the many interested citizens and clubs which have continued to support the school so faithfully during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

A. RAYMOND ROGERS, JR.

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

To the Superintendent of Schools, Superintending School Committee and Citizens of Porter:

I submit the following music report:

The music in the Porter Primary School is going along with the five point program of singing, playing, creating, listening and dancing. The latter, however, is suffering a bit due to lack of room, as you know, we are bulging at the seams in this building.

The grades, sub-primary, first, second and third are happy grades. They are always ready and eager to sing and participate in any activity asked of them.

Rote songs are used for the sub-primary and first grades, while learning to follow words and music is the work of the second and third grades with syllable reading started at the third grade level. The present third grade promises to be an outstanding grade in musical ability.

New Rhythm Band Instruments, records and a clarinet for the Porter High School Band have been purchased with Porter Festival Fund Money.

The work of the eighth grade besides singing as a group is Music Theory and Appreciation. Most of the singers of this grade sing with the High School Chorus and will have a part in the Pop Concert some time in April.

The High School Chorus is a large group around fifty-five and is quite well balanced for the four parts. They sing the first period Monday morning. On Tuesday afternoon a special group with an enrollment of thirty-five comes into practice for more study and better singing. They will appear in programs for the local Kiwanis, Rotary Club of Ossipee and York County Teachers Convention, also the Annual Pop Concert.

At the close of these activities, this Special Glee Club will have a much earned outing.

Parents and friends of the school are cordially invited to visit the various classes and activities at any time.

To the teachers, I extend my thanks for their fine co-operation, sustained interest and excellent results which they have made possible.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORA R. CARPENTER,

Supervisor of Music.

REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

1952

As parents play an important role in the broad aspects of child growth, so does your local Health Council guide the community and assist the nurse in the generalized public health nursing program carried on in your town.

As in the past year, well attended monthly meetings have been held as well as planned committee meetings. Volunteer service for scheduled health activities has willingly been supplied.

Three Child Health Conferences were held during June and July with an attendance of twenty-two infants and pre-school children. Fifteen received protection against diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus. Prior to the date conferences were held, parents of all children entering school last fall were sent a special notice urging them to either be checked by their family physician or take advantage of the Conferences. This letter was prepared and sent by members of the Health Council with the approval of the school board and superintendent of schools.

The immunization program carried on this past year was offered jointly to both the Town of Porter and that of Parsonsfield. The following number of children and adults in Porter received protection:

Smallpox,	34
Diphtheria,	24
Whooping cough,	24
Tetanus,	24

In October Dr. Paul Marston, your school physician, completed physical examinations on seventy-four children in selected grades and in December examined four children not previously seen.

Physical Findings

Needing dental care,	18
Enlarged or infected tonsils,	17
Heart murmur,	3
Poor posture,	2
Pronated feet,	10
Enlarged inguinal ring,	1
Acute acne,	1
Nail biter,	4
Underweight,	1
Low hemoglobin,	14
Urinalysis:	
Albumin,	4
Sugar,	1

The fine co-operation shown by the physicians, parents and teachers has made this phase of the school health program possible. Parents of the school children received letters with an explanation of the examinations to be given at school and were urged to check with their family physician if not seen at school.

In addition, parents received letters in October signed by the Health Council and the Superintendent of Schools explaining certain health laws concerning school children. It was felt by the Council that such a letter would be appreciated by the parents and would help clarify some of the questions previously raised by parents regarding exclusion from school and reporting of contagious diseases.

Home visits are being made to children found at school to have a health problem. Visits have been made to expectant and new mothers, to children with orthopedic or heart defects and to homes where there has been tuberculosis.

It should be noted that the Health Council in your town is fulfilling an important function in community health.

In addition to the programs now carried on, plans are being made for health education programs. A start was made last February when an open meeting was held at which time Mr. Richard Smith, psychiatric social worker, State Bureau of Health, was the speaker.

I take this opportunity to extend to the town officials, the physicians, the Health Council, and the school personnel my sincere appreciation for their interest and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

ELEANOR E. GRIFFITHS, R. N.,

State Bureau of Health.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

To the Citizens of the Town of Porter:

I submit the following report showing the number of births, deaths, marriages and depositions of birth recorded in the year 1952.

14 births.

19 deaths.

19 marriages.

5 depositions of birth.

Number of dogs licensed, 121.

Respectfully submitted,

JESSIE B. STACY,

Town Clerk.



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